

CHRISTMAS IN THE CAMPS

What Boys of Otsego and Delaware Are Doing At Camps
Devens and Dix

GREETINGS FOR DAY

Sent Monday By Secretaries
Daniels and Baker to Boys
in National Army

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Christmas greetings were sent to the nation's fighting forces tonight by Secretaries Baker and Daniels. Mr. Baker's message to the soldiers in France and America and their families was as follows: "To soldiers in France and America in training in America and their families: The War department sends a word of hearty Christmas greeting and of appreciation of the spirit of resolute courage which filled hearts, and of congratulations upon opportunity which lies before them to do a great work for their country and for the world."

To the men of the navy Secretary Daniels said: "Christmas greetings to all in naval service. The country, reposes confidence in its navy, is proud of the service it has already rendered in the war, and has faith that it will measure up to all demands made upon it."

Red Cross Cheer.
How the American Red Cross prepares to give cheer to American soldiers, in hospitals and in trenches in France, and to thousands of children in the war zone is told in the following cablegram received here today:

"The American Red Cross has provided funds so there will be parties and entertainments in every camp and Christmas trees in wards where wounded and sick soldiers and sailors lie. Every American soldier is to have a Christmas bag containing tobacco, soap, shoe strings, wash cloth, towel, tooth brush and handkerchief, filled with candy."

"Christmas trees have been arranged for at some of the training camps. One million bags containing socks will be given, and 50,000 Christmas hags to wounded French soldiers. In two towns, American Red Cross hospitals have Christmas trees for children. The first old fashioned, before-the-war-kind of Christmas since 1913 is being prepared for children of France, crippled and tubercular."

"After three Christmasless years, the children of devastated regions have almost forgotten to put out their wooden shoes. The American Red Cross is sending books, toys, bunnies, dogs and balloons to be distributed to 1,200 children at Ham, Nesle and Noyon by French friends of the children. It also is providing for distribution of toys sent by Americans to 5,000 children."

The cablegram also said extensive preparations were being made to bring Christmas cheer to children in many other districts, as well as to give useful presents to refugees and sick in hospitals throughout France. Three-quarters of a ton of American Christmas candy has been sent to children of refugees.

At Camp Dix.

Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., Dec. 24.—An elaborate Christmas eve program for soldiers here who were not granted furloughs, was arranged. The troops gathered around a community tree, where they sang patriotic songs and listened to the reading of letters. Then they went to their barracks, where smaller Christmas trees were met, bearing presents from back home. Midnight mass was celebrated by the Knights of Columbus members.

At Camp Devens.

Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., Dec. 24.—The Yuletide spirit pervaded the general gloom which has been in evidence because furloughs were to be limited, which gave way to merrymaking and if there was a lone soldier in the camp he was to be found only in the guard house. A chorus of 50 artillerymen headed by a regimental band, visited the base hospital and also serenaded the guard house, where men accused of leaving camp without leave are held awaiting court martial. In every barracks there was a Christmas tree.

EXTENSION OF PAROLE REFUSED

New York, Dec. 24.—Rudolph Hecht, partner in the banking firm of Chandler & Co., who was interned as an alien enemy but was granted a parole of three weeks, \$25,000 bail, was sent back to Ellis Island today, after his time limit had expired. Accompanied by his wife, who recently became a mother, Hecht went to the federal building today and asked the authorities to extend his parole over the Christmas holidays, but his request was refused.

FOUR MEXICANS EXECUTED.

Del Rio, Texas, Dec. 24.—Four of the 20 Mexicans arrested at Las Vegas, opposite here, last week in connection with the death of two Del Rio ranchmen, have been executed, according to announcement made today by Mexican officials. Several grave evidences against comrades, and more executions are expected to follow.

PRACTICE AS WELL AS PREACH

"Forget How Things Were Done Before the War" is Slogan.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—War time expedition is being practiced as well as preached by the government. President Wilson has sent all the executive department copies of a letter recently sent by Secretary Redfield to his bureau. "Forget how things were done before the war, eliminate red tape," the letter said. "We must learn with Germans that the war won't wait." Delay is the Kaiser's ally."

Secretary Redfield has instructed all his bureaus to install machines for stamping on papers the day and hour of receipt, so delay in action may be put to persons responsible. He is refusing to sign documents not so stamped.

BARONESS AND U. S. OFFICER ARRESTED

Charge Against Former Based on Code Found in Her Possession; Held Without Bail

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Baroness Iona Zollner of New York, wife of a German officer serving on the Flanders front, was held without bail for the federal grand jury here today, on a charge of violating the espionage act. Lieutenant John W. Spaulding, 22 years of age and a United States army officer, was arrested with the woman at a local hotel and sent to Fort Oglethorpe under guard, after he testified.

The charge against Baroness Zollner is based on a code found in her possession and letters written to her 16-year-old son, Bedford Shope. This code, Spaulding swore today, was arranged so that the Baroness could be kept informed as to his movements until such time as he might be sent to France. One letter to the boy described a trip to Fort Oglethorpe, condition of roads, topography of country, etc.

Spaulding testified that he loved the prisoner and wanted to marry her. He said that she had paid hotel bills for him on various occasions and that she helped him to get a commission in the army after he had been compelled to resign from the naval academy on account of "bills." The Baroness denied the charges vigorously. She said she had been examined at Washington and Annapolis and was permitted to move about under the known status of an alien enemy.

Commander McAllester, who conducted the hearing, indicated that much of the evidence had been explained away. He refused to accept bail, but advised counsel for the Baroness to apply to a federal district judge for a writ of habeas corpus.

LABOR AND MATERIALS BIG PROBLEM NOW

Five Million Tons of Shipping Is Estimate for 1918; Henry Ford to Make Investigation

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Five million tons dead weight, which is the estimate of Americans 1918 output of shipping, show that the government program of 8,246,308 tons is well on the way to completion.

Every effort will be made to put on two, and wherever possible, 3 ships in yards throughout the country. With the task of designing models out of the way, the whole problem now, according to shipping board officials, is that of obtaining labor and materials.

The builders report have been made part of mass of statistics just turned over by the shipping board to Senate Commerce committee investigating progress of ship building. They disclose that the wooden program is 9 per cent under way, the requisition steel ship 39 per cent; the composite 20 per cent and the contract steel ship 4 per cent on their way to completion.

Henry Ford, sitting with the shipping board as a manufacturing expert, has proposed extensions of the fabricating program. He advised that board have built in sound a number of fabricating yards to turn out steel vessels.

Mr. Ford will go on trip through sound in search of locations and investigate facilities for manufacturing.

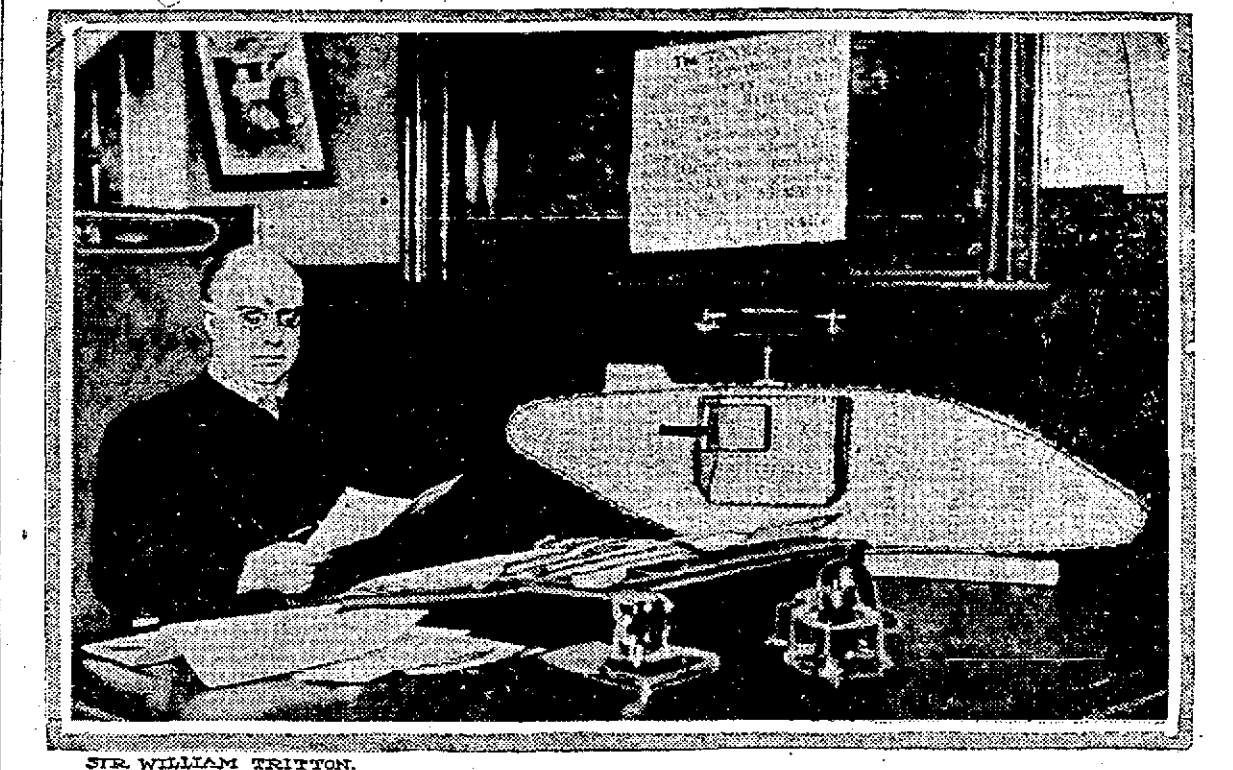
AERO ATTACKS URGED BY FISKE.

New York, Dec. 24.—The use of airplane in a major attack on Germany's navy was recommended in a letter made public here today from Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, to Allan R. Hawley, president of the Aero club of America. The idea the letter said, is not a "foolish notion of fanatics in aeronautics, but is a sound idea, based on the principle of strategy. "All Germany's naval eggs are in one basket," Admiral Fiske said. "And those eggs are vitally essential to its existence as a nation. It is my profound conviction that we can smash those eggs by torpedo planes and aero attacks if we can deliver them on a scale sufficiently great."

ENGINEER DIES "OVER THERE."

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—General Pershing today advised the war department of the death from pneumonia on Dec. 21, of Private Bert Siders, an engineer with the American over seas forces. The address of his father, Andrew Siders is at Villa, Pa.

Inventor of Famous British "Tank"



SIR WILLIAM TRITTON.
Here is shown Sir William Tritton, inventor of the famous British tank. A model of his invention rests beside him on his desk. There is probably no invention in the world today that is causing so much comment as Sir William's fighting machine. Like the Zeppelin, the "tank" was expected to do greater things than it could possibly do, when it was first sent to the battle line.

NEVADA SENATOR DIES SUDDENLY

Francis G. Newland Expires With Heart Failure At Home in Washington

OVERWORK CAUSES END

Considered Expert on Transportation Problems; Chairman of Joint Committee

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Senator Francis Griffith Newland, of Nevada, died of heart failure at his home here tonight, after an illness of a few hours. He was at work at his office in the Senate office building during the afternoon and the capital knew nothing of his illness until his death was reported.

No one realized the seriousness of the Senator's condition and a physician was not called until late this evening. Then the heart attack had become acute and the end came at 10:15. For several weeks Senator Newland had been working night and day on a plan of investigation of war time transportation problems and had been in a weakened state of health. He kept at his desk, however, and in spite of his 69 years of age, appeared alert and active.

The Senator was a native of Mississippi, born near Natchez, August 25, 1848, and lived in that state until he went to Yale in 1867. After nearly two years at Yale he entered Columbia college law school and was admitted to the District of Columbia bar before he received his diploma. From Washington he went to San Francisco where he practiced law until 1888. Then he became a citizen of Nevada, and was elected to the 53d, 54th, 55th and 56th Congress. He served on important committees. He succeeded Senator John T. Jones, Republican, in the Senate of March 4, 1903. Senator Newland soon became an active member of that body and when the Democrats gained control was made head of the Interstate Commerce commission. In 1908 he submitted his candidacy to reelection to popular vote and was returned by a large majority.

As chairman of a joint committee on transportation problems as well as Interstate Commerce committee, the Senator has identified himself with considerations of what the government is to do about the railroads during the war. He has conferred with President Wilson several times and at President Wilson's request deferred hearing of the Interstate Commerce committee until after Christmas holidays when the President is expected to submit his solution of the railroad problems to Congress.

The Senator's chief interest for years had been in America's railway transportation lines, and in development of interstate waterways both for fertility and transportation. Because of his close touch and deep interest in these questions he was regarded as expert on them in congress. As author of the Newlands act, which provided improvement in the arid west by development of waterways, he also was well known. He had for a long time pressed legislation for expenditures for waterway and irrigation improvements, and partial fruition of his hopes had taken place in employment of a special commission authorized by congress for comprehensive study of American waterways.

In his railroad legislative work Senator Newland enjoyed the closest confidence of the President, and had been spokesman on such matters in the senate. There he was not a frequent debator, but was always given the closest attention when speaking. He piloted the Adamson eight-hour bill through the senate during the last congress. Most of his business interests were in the west. He was

DELIVER REPLY TODAY

Four Teutonic Powers Answer Jointly; The Krupp Fire.

Amsterdam, Holland, Dec. 24.—The four Teutonic powers, according to a dispatch from Brest-Litovsk, agreed to reply jointly to the Russian peace proposal. The reply, it is added, will be delivered tomorrow.

A frontier correspondent of the Handelsblad says that the explosion which occurred recently at the Krupp works had its origin in a building where a thousand persons were employed. The engine room and turning shop suffered most. There was no loss of life. A despatch of December 21 from Maestricht, Holland, gave workmen from Essen as authority for the statement that the Krupp plant had been ablaze for 24 hours.

SIXTEEN DEAD; HUNDRED HURT

Trolley Runs Wild, Then Turns Over, Scattering Occupants in All Directions

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24.—Fourteen persons were killed and 100 other passengers on a Knoxville street car were hurt here today when the car ran away in a tunnel which leads to the South Hills section of the city. After a run of almost a mile, the car struck a short curve and turned over on its side. Hospital doctors said that a number of the injured could not recover.

The car, which was of the latest low floor, steel type, was packed with city bound shoppers. The trolley wheel suddenly left the wire and at almost the same instant the motor-man lost control, and it dashed down the grade, gaining momentum as the wheels slipped along the wet rails. When it shot out of the tunnel it did not stop there, but, clearing the sidewalk, struck a telegraph pole. Men, women and children were scattered along the roadway.

The car continued on its way and finally brought up at a confectionery store on Smithfield street. Estimates put the number of dead at 17, but a careful search showed that 14 had been killed outright, among whom were eight women and one little girl.

A statement issued by the Pittsburgh Railroad company, which owns the Knoxville car, said that the car was of the most modern and substantial construction, and equipped with devices for the safety of the passengers.

Two More Die.

(Later.) The death list was increased to 16 late tonight when two of the injured died in hospitals. Many of those who escaped alive are so injured that they will die.

NO FLOUR FAMINE.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 24.—Frank L. Carey, representative of the food administration grain board, who today returned from New York, where members of the corporation had been in conference, declared, in answer to reports of flour shortage, that there is a bread stuff supply in storage and on the market sufficient to meet the needs of the entire country.

Flour stocks are ample everywhere. Even the exports to the allies have increased 50 per cent over last year. "If for any reason marketing of wheat should cease, this country could exist six months on reserve stocks on hand."

reputed to be quite rich, possessing mining interests in California and Nevada. Colleagues of Senator Newland's felt that his loss will be peculiarly felt at the present time. Only today he was engaged in the investigation ordered by the senate of the interstate commerce committee's recommendation for dealing with railroads. Leadership in this task will now devolve upon Senator Smith of South Carolina, next in line.

HIS ALLIANCE WITH THE DEITY

Again Loudly Affirmed in a Speech to Troops By Kaiser Wilhelm

LORD OF PRUSS AND HUN

Boldly Declares Almighty Fights His Battles; Vaunting Speech to Soldiers on West Front

Amsterdam, Holland, Dec. 24.—"If the enemy does not want peace, then we must bring peace to the world by the battering of our iron fist and our shining sword," Kaiser Wilhelm declared in a speech to the second army.

"Despite three years of war and suffering," the Kaiser continued, "our old offensive spirit is still effective." "This is shown," the German emperor added, "by our recent great victories in Flanders and at Cambrai, where the arrogant British first felt the crushing of our offensive blow."

The Kaiser continuing, extravagantly praised the tactics, strategy and valor of the successful defense of his troops on the west front. He referred specifically to the defense which German troops interposed "against the attempt to advance toward Brussels," as the most gigantic feat in history.

Continuing, he said: "In long preparation the enemy had collected unheard of technical means and masses of ammunition and guns in order to make his entry into Brussels over your front as he proudly announced. The enemy has achieved nothing."

"The most gigantic feat ever accomplished by an army and one without parallel in history was accomplished by the German army. I don't boast. It is a fact and nothing else. The admiration you have earned shall be your reward and at the same time your pride. Nothing can in any way place in the shade or surpass what you have accomplished, however great and overwhelming it may be."

"The year 1917, with its great battles, has proved that the German people has in the Lord of Creation above an unconditional and avowed ally on whom it can absolutely rely. Without Him all would have been in vain. "Every one of you had to exert every nerve to the utmost. I know that every one of you in the unparalleled drumfire did superhuman deeds. The feeling may have been frequently with you: 'If we only had something behind us; if we only had some relief.' It came as the result of the blow in the east, where it is seen that the storms of war there are at present silenced. God grant that it may be forever."

"It has been a year full of events for the German army and the German fatherland. Powerful blows have been delivered and your comrades in the east have been able to bring about great decisions."

"The tactical and strategical connection between the battles on the Aisne, in the Champagne, Artois and Flanders and at Cambrai and the events in the east and in Italy is so manifest that it is useless to waste words on it."

"With a centralized direction the German army works in a centralized manner. In order that we should be able to deliver these offensive blows one portion of the army had to remain on the defensive, hard as this is for the German soldier. Such a defensive battle, however, as has been fought in 1917 is without parallel. A fraction of the German army accepted the heavy task, covering its comrades in the east unconditionally and it had the entire Anglo-French army against itself."

BARGES CARRY MUCH FREIGHT

Government Boats Used on Mississippi; Fleets Being Built.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Thousands of tons of freight are being carried by river barges, according to information made public tonight by the department of commerce. Government barges are being used on the Mississippi, supplemented by steamers under the jurisdiction of the department of commerce. The United States Steel corporation has under construction a fleet of 70 barges in the upper Ohio river and a fleet of 24 barges of 2,000 tons capacity and four towboats, built for use from St. Louis to St. Paul. The secretary of state of New York has asked Secretary Redfield where he can have a fleet of barges built for New York state canals.

"WE ARE SORRY WE CAN'T BE WITH YOU"

American Soldiers Abroad Sent Christmas Message to Us; True Patriotism Shown

With the American army in France, Dec. 24.—"A word to those at home." The Christmas number of the Olalla Times, a newspaper written and edited by soldiers of a certain unit, contains the following:

"We are sorry we can't be with you in America this Christmas. We miss you. We appreciate the blessings of our own families and our own country as never before. Yet, since to insure the safety of us all and help in the cause of right, we must stay until our work is done. You should be glad to the bottom of your hearts that we can have so good and so Christian a Christmas."

"Most of us have helped to brighten your homes on other Christmas's possibly by our gifts and our presence. Few this year can give what they desire; none can be with you."

"However you may find some cause to rejoice in the fact that we are doing everything we can to brighten the lives of our friends, the French children."

In the same column of the paper says:

"To all right-feeling men, the presence of children, especially when in holiday mood, is a pleasant thing, and apart from any spirit of benevolence in a Santa Claus, we are glad to welcome the youngsters for their own cheerful selves, and they are conferring a favor upon us lonely soldiers by their presence."

"Some of us have had the good fortune to be received on such friendly terms by families here that strangers, newly arrived men, are amazed."

THREE DIVISIONS ANNIHILATED

Rome Reports Successful Resistance to German Offensive in Mountains of Italy.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Three Teuton divisions—approximately 60,000 men—were literally cut to pieces by the Italians in the German offensive against Colonel Baretta and Monte Asolone, according to Rome dispatches today.

Commanders of the Seventh and Eighth Austrian brigades and General Pfeiffer, commander of the Fourth Austrian division, have been seriously wounded, captured prisoners declared.

With the capture of positions on Monte Asolone, the Italians have re-established their positions over the menaced portions of the Italian lines. For three days the defenders fought under a terrific artillery fire and against asphyxiating gases. Losses on both sides were enormous.

London, England, Dec. 24.—German troops yesterday afternoon attempted to raid the British positions southeast of Epehy, on the Cambrai front, but were driven off, the war office announced today.

NEAR RIOTING IN BUENOS AYRES.

Buenos Ayres, Argentine, Dec. 24.—Only the utmost vigilance of patrols and mounted troops prevented an outbreak of anti-German rioting last night. The streets were crowded by Christmas shoppers and the people marched to the La Union building shouting ten thousand pesos, which was the amount of the monthly subsidy said to have been obtained from Berlin by Count Von Luxberg, the deposed German minister. The crowds dispersed when charged by troops. The publishing of the additional Luxberg dispatches has caused a new outbreak of bitterness against Germany.

CRIMES ARE INCREASING.

New York, Dec. 24.—All sorts of crime, excepting murder and assault, have shown a marked increase in New York city since the United States entered the war, according to a statement given out today by Police Commissioner Arthur Wood. The principal increases have been in crime against property, the statement said, due to the increased value of property. Such increase in the cost of copper, brass, foodstuffs and other commodities have swelled the list of crimes, Commissioner Wood stated.

CONTINUE RED CROSS CAMPAIGN.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Managers of the Red Cross campaign for 10,000,000 members before Christmas have decided to instruct local field workers to continue their drive through the week in several divisions on account of bad weather during the first week of the campaign.

CHRISTMAS AND THE WAR

Resume of War Activities Since Last Christmas; All Battle Lines Much Changed

NO REAL PEACE TERMS

Kaiser Trying to Frighten People Unafraid With Latest Utterances

Christmas tide of 1917 finds the armies on all major battle fronts virtually inactive, except where the Teutonic allies are endeavoring to overwhelm the Italians and force passes through northern Italy out upon the plains of Venetia.

As viewed from the war map, the battle lines of today are markedly changed from those of yesterday. The Russian front from the Baltic to the Black Sea is virtually nonexistent, the Italians under the intensive drive of the Teutonic allies are standing miles from where they were a year ago along the Isonzo front; from Belgium to region around Verdun great salients have been driven into German lines by both British and French, and in Asiatic Turkey the British have made notable gains, both in Mesopotamia and Palestine. Through the latter General Allenby's forces have made great advances against Ottoman and Christmas 1917 finds the Christians once more in control of Bethlehem, the birth place of Christ, and of Jerusalem the Holy Sepulchre.

Although the sound of "peace" is in the air, seemingly there is no prospect of ending at an early date the titanic struggle in progress. The Teutonic allies and Russians have ceased hostilities and will probably reach some kind of an agreement.

No Good Peace Terms.

The enemy for weeks has officially proclaimed his desire for peace, but has advanced no terms which indicate a willingness to bring the war to an end along lines to make the world safe for democracy.

On the contrary, the German emperor in his latest utterances before his second army last Saturday, boasted of successes of the Teutonic allies during the past year, and exultantly proclaimed that victory for the central powers had been so manifest that it was useless to waste words on strategical advantages gained.

Apparently, however, while strenuous efforts are being made in the United States to get an invincible army in the field to aid Great Britain and France and finally bring success to their arms, the German emperor has made a final endeavor in his latest utterances to frighten people unafraid with the statement:

"If the enemy does not want peace, then we must bring peace to the world by battering in with an iron fist and shingling sword the doors of those who will not have peace."

Meanwhile, his armies and allies find their attempts to break the Italian line in northern Italy without results and have shifted the line of attack again to the Asiago-plateau. Here small gains were made, but the Italians stiffening their lines, held the enemy from further progress and at the last account were delivering successful counter attacks against him on the lower Piave river.

Few British Casualties.

Another heartening phase of the situation is the small number of British casualties during the past week. On the entire front held by the British, only 13,219 casualties were reported, these embracing killed, wounded or missing. The previous week had shown an aggregate of 17,976 and the week before 23,356.

HUMOR IN COAL SITUATION.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Suffering of folks unable to buy coal has not been without touches of humor somewhat grim, as reports to the fuel administrator show. Here are two specimens:

A Newark man, whom a coal dealer refused to supply fuel except in dire distress, pleaded a sick baby and to prove it wheeled a delicate looking infant around to the coal office. He got the coal but an investigation showed that he borrowed the baby from a neighbor.

In the same city, a retail jeweler took a job as a coal wagon driver. He started out with two tons of coal and dumped it into his own cellar. Then he quit his job, saying the work was too hard for him.

BIG STRIKE INEVITABLE.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—A strike of 10,000 metal trade unionists in the San Francisco region is inevitable after employers voted unanimously against granting employees their demands for 10 per cent wage increase in addition to 31 per cent advance, granted by Federal ship building wage adjustment board, according to members of the executive committee. The men effected are employed in industries other than ship building.

INTERNED GERMANS ESCAPE.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 24.—Fredinand Kuiko and Kurtz Wilkins, German civilian prisoners interned at Camp Douglas, escaped today, according to a statement made by military authorities.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

New York Markets.

New York, Dec. 24.—Contrary to general expectations, the impending holiday on the stock exchange was accompanied by occasional spasms of activity and many substantial additions to last week's gains.

Peace rumors gained fresh currency, if not credence, from their wide circulation, traceable in part to speculative interest. Their effect was most marked in the bond list.

This advantage was not well maintained, however, and at no time extended to foreign bonds, viz., the Anglo-French 5s, which were reactionary with Canadian issues. In stock list gross gains ranged from 1 to almost 3 points in seasoned rallies, to 24 for representative war issues, including munitions, one to two in copper and in shipping, 2 to 6 points in tobacco and oil and 1 to 3 in motors and miscellaneous speculations.

Final prices were from a fraction to a point under the day's maximum, the reported cancellation of Russian orders provoking moderate realizing. Liberty issues contributed to irregularity of domestic bond list, the range from 97.5 to the new minimum of 96.98, with a range of 98.38 to 98.18 for 3 1/2s.

United States bonds, old issues, were unchanged on call but coupon is declined 1/4% on sales.

New York Produce.

Butter—Easier. Receipts, 5,534 tubs. Creamery, higher than extras, 50¢@50 1/2; creamery, extras (92 score), 49¢@49 1/2; firsts, 44¢@48 1/2; seconds, 41¢@43.

Eggs—Firm. Receipts, 2,165 cases. Fresh gathered, extras, 60¢@61; extra firsts, 58¢@59; firsts, 56¢@57; seconds, 52¢@55; refrigerator, special marks, 39¢; do. firsts, 37¢@38 1/2; state, Pennsylvania and nearby western henneries, whites, fine to fancy, 68¢@70; do. browns, 61¢@63.

Cheese—Steady. Receipts, 2,189 boxes. State, fresh specials, 23 1/2¢@23 3/4; do. average run, 23.

Live poultry—Quiet; no prices quoted. Dressed, weak; chickens, 20¢@21; fowls, 18¢@27 1/2; turkeys, 25¢@26.

New York Meats.

Beef—Receipts, 2,660 head. Market steady.

Calves—Receipts, 1,100 head. Market steady. Veals, \$14@17.50; culls, \$11@31; grossers, \$8@9; yearlings, \$6@7.50.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5,290 head. Market weak. Sheep, \$7@11; lambs, \$15@17.60; culls, \$12@14.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,900 head. Market steady; no trading.

ONEONTA MARKET.

Grain and Feed.

(Prices Charged at Retail.)

Salt, barrel	\$2.10
Corn	\$2.29
Corn meal, cwt.	\$4.13
Oats	96¢@98
Spring wheat middlings	\$2.45
Flour middlings	\$2.73

Prices Paid Producers.

Butter, fresh dairy	46¢@47
Butter, creamery	50
Eggs, fresh laid, dozen	50
Cheese, lb.	27
Live chicken	20
Veal, sweet milk calves	18
Dressed pork	22
Dressed beef	13¢@14
Veal, grain fed	14
Potatoes	90

Hides.

(Quoted by Miller Hide Co.)

Cow hides	15
Bull hides over 60 pounds	13
Horse hides	\$5.00¢@5.50
Dairy skins	\$1.50¢@2.00
Veal skins	\$2.00¢@2.50
Grossers, per pound	16

KNOWS HOW TO GET PUBLICITY.

Dan Sherman An Original Comedian and Alert Advertiser.

Dan Sherman, owner of Sherman lake, is not only an original comedian but an artful advertiser as well. Last week he played at the Orpheum at Madison, Wis., and the following story under the caption of "Comedian at Orpheum. Big Man in Our Town" appeared in the Democrat of that city on Tuesday.

"Up in the Catskill mountains, not many miles from where Rip Van Winkle was supposed to have taken his famous sleep, there is a woodland spot called Davenport Center and in this rustic township is a beautiful body of water called Sherman lake, named after comical Dan Sherman, who is cutting up capers at the Orpheum.

"He owns the lake, and all of the land around it. In fact, he is the rightful owner of the only hotel, several summer cottages, the 'opera' house, often used for town meetings and dances. He controls all the rowboats; in fact he is the 'Pooh Bah' of the town. The place had a jail, but it was so poorly patronized that Dan turned it into an ice house.

"The name of Dan Sherman around Davenport Center is the biggest thing in the burg. Dan did not intend going on the road this season, but last summer a big fire destroyed his home. The only things saved were his stage scenery and costumes, when the embers turned cold. Dan decided that life on the road was far better than staying in Davenport Center to await the completion of the carpenter work on a new place.

"Dan Sherman has been on the stage many years; he has traveled all over the world; he talks four languages; he knows what a York state shilling is; in fact he has saved many of them; he is versatile; he's a farmer, comedian, fiddler, blacksmith, hotel man, landlord. He says 'that if he knew anything about being a fireman and if the darn pump wasn't out of

commission at the time Davenport Center would never have had its first and only big fire."

Investigating Investigations. "What results did your investigating committee get?" "We found out a lot of interesting things," replied Senator Sorghum. "It will take some time to investigate them all. In the meantime the original investigation will have to wait."—[Washington Star.]

Listen, Herr Wilhelm! Ninety-four millions for navy aeroplanes and a billion and thirty-two millions for army aviation! Hear it, Kaiser?—[Elmira Advertiser.]

Different Activities. Any activity calculated to strengthen the arm of the government for its prosecution of the war will be welcomed. Any activity calculated merely to scatter dissension and impede orderly progress is certain to be condemned.—[Cleveland Plain Dealer.]

Fine job printing at The Herald office.

The Current Use of German. There is as much present need of barring the current use of German language, as there is of prohibiting its teaching in the schools, which should also not be omitted as a measure of safety. There should be no "energetic idleness" in carrying out such a needed precaution.—[Brooklyn Citizen.]

Concrete Cargo Ships. The shipping board is to consider concrete cargo-ships. Decision to effect was reached after investigation of a concrete vessel approaching completion at San Francisco. A provisional contract for 20 craft of class has been negotiated, and sort of construction has been approved by maritime experts.—[Troy Times.]

HAPPY HOUR THEATRE

SPECIAL FEATURES

MATINEE 1:30-3:15 TODAY ADULTS 11c
EVENING 7:00-8:45 CHILDREN Under 12 6c

Special Christmas Program
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OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

GOOD RESULTS SECURED.

Schenectady Red Cross Chapter Has Successful Members Added.

Schenectady, Dec. 24.—The Christmas membership campaign of the Red Cross has been vigorously pushed by the local campaign chairman and the captains and has met with cheerful response in this district. The leaders are gratified with the results attained, as at least 50 new members have been secured and 100 renewals. All the captains have not yet been heard from. Anyone who is not a member of the Red Cross may join at any time, but is urged to do so at this time.

The proceeds from the sale of Red Cross seals this year for Schenectady alone amounts to \$70, while the village of Maryland has turned in \$30, which is an excellent sum.

Present Play at Maryland.

The senior play, "The Deacon's Second Wife," will be presented in the Lutheran church at Maryland, Friday evening of this week. The students played large audiences with this lively comedy, each night it was produced here and are booked to present it in several adjoining towns during the next few weeks.

Worcester Team Defeated.

Worcester High school was defeated in a fast basketball game on the local court Friday evening, by a score of 24 to 16. The first half was a draw, the score standing 8 to 8, but the local boys outclassed their opponents in the last half and at no time was their lead endangered. The second team also defeated the Worcester seconds in a well played game; score 13 to 6. A fair crowd attended.

Cooperstown proved too much for the Schenectady boys Saturday night and walked away with the game by a score of 44 to 18.

Much interest was manifested in the game between the High school second team and a team picked from the alumni. The so-called "has-beens" still remembered their old tricks and, although the seconds put up a stiff fight, carried off the honors by a score of 29 to 21.

Receipts Amount to \$40.00.

The Rebekah B'nai B'rith lodge reports that the net proceeds of their supper and fancy goods sale, held December 10, amounted to \$40.

Red Cross Service Flags.

The church bells were sounded at 7 o'clock tonight as a signal to display the Red Cross service flag before lights in the homes of the members for two hours, and again at the end of that time.

SCHUYLER LAKE LEAFLET.

Canadara Grange Elects Officers for Ensuing Year.

Schuyler Lake, Dec. 24.—At the last regular meeting of the Canadara grange, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, S. B. Eason; overseer, M. J. Clarke; lecturer, Mabel Beadle; steward, E. W. Simmonds; assistant steward, Norman Eason; chaplain, George Neal;

treasurer, F. C. Pickens; secretary, Marshall Flansburg; gate keeper, Arnold James; Ceres, Mrs. George Neal; Pomona, Mary Angier; Flora, Gladys Truman; lady assistant steward, Ester Hull; trustee, for three years, George Cushman; purchasing agent, S. B. Eason; organist, Mrs. F. C. Pickens.

Masonic Officers Elected.

At the regular communication of Schuyler Lake lodge, No. 162, F. & A. M., held at the lodge rooms Wednesday evening last, the following officers were elected and appointed W. M., E. F. Washburn; S. W., C. W. Stephenson; J. W., Lee J. Chase; treasurer, George L. Rider; secretary, M. J. Clarke; trustee for three years, Jesse Elsworth; marshal, George Flansburg; S. D., W. O. Pratt, J. D. George Herkimer; S. M., C. George B. Randall, J. M. C. George W. Curry; chaplain, George Conrad, Tyler, Robert L. Holdbrook.

Red Cross Dance Big Success.

The Red Cross dance, held at Eulonia's hall on Wednesday evening, was a big success. One hundred ten tickets were sold.

Claude Rose Enlists.

Claude Rose, youngest son of Byron Rose of this place, has enlisted in the navy and leaves Wednesday to take his final examination.

Discharged from Army.

Clarence Huyek, son of Edward Huyek, has returned home from Spartanburg, S. C., where he has been for some time in the hospital. He has been discharged on account of a broken foot, which was set wrong several years ago.

Jay Shaul in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Shaul of this place received a letter from France last week, sent by their son, Jay, who is in the navy. His parents had not heard from him in weeks. His many friends here are glad to hear that he is alive and well.

Robert Holdbrook Injured.

Robert Holdbrook, while engaged in unloading a carload of feed at his place of business Thursday, had the misfortune to slip and have 500 pounds of feed fall on his leg, injuring it quite badly.

OUT OF OTEGO.

Methodist Episcopal Christmas Tree and Exercises This Evening.

Otego, Dec. 24.—Christmas was observed at the Methodist Episcopal church on Monday evening. A pleasing program was given and there was a Christmas tree laden with gifts to be distributed at the close of the exercises.

Baptist Entertainment.

On Friday evening Christmas exercises and tree were held at the Baptist church. A pleasing program was given entirely under the direction of Mrs. Henry Swink, who was untiring in her effort to make the evening's entertainment a success. The church was prettily decorated with the evergreen trees and American flags. At the close gifts were distributed to members of Sunday school and many others present. A collection was taken for the Syrian and Armenian Relief fund which amounted to over sixteen dollars.

Personal Workers' Meeting.

The Personal workers will hold their weekly prayer meeting with Mrs. Briscoe, who resides on the south side river road, on Wednesday evening.

Otego Brevities.

Miss Pauline Fuller is spending the week in Binghamton—Mrs. Charles Blanchard of Hartwick has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Starr—Earl Widger is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Widger—Miss May Houghton of Binghamton is visiting relatives here during her vacation—Dr. B. Cordella Hathaway of Albany is spending the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hathaway.

PLEASING CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

Christmas Tree and Supper Held in Milford Methodist Church Friday.

Milford, Dec. 24.—A Christmas tree and supper for the younger members of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school was held in the church parlors Friday afternoon. There was a prettily decorated tree, presided over by Santa Claus, and there was a gift for each of the youngsters. At 5 o'clock a supper was served, which gladdened the hearts of the little folks. In the evening, a supper was served to the congregation and church members, the event being, in a way, a reception to the new members.

Secures Many New Members

The membership drive of the Milford branch of the Red Cross closed Saturday night, with 38 new members secured during the week. About 100 renewed their memberships, with as many more promising to renew after January 1. The result is very satisfactory to the committee in charge. A house-to-house canvass is to be made in January, when it is hoped to double the membership list.

Homo for the Holidays.

Among the college students and teachers home for the holidays are the following: Miss Josephine Whitney, Musical institute, New York city, Miss Clymenia Jewell, Boston university, Boston, Mass.; Doris Hickey, Phillips Exeter; Harold Oakley, Bucknell university, Lewisburg, Pa.; Misses Della Chestney and Henrietta Schildrick, One-

onta Normal; Miss Ella Campbell, Albany; Miss Vesta Campbell, Glens Falls; Miss Edith Cornish, Nassau; Miss Myra Hall, Long Island; Miss Jennie VanDyke, Union.

Accidentally Cut by Hatchet.

Hazel, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mercer, was accidentally struck in the face Thursday by a hatchet in the hands of her brother, cutting a deep gash in her cheek. Dr. L. W. Green dressed the wound, which required several stitches.

Points About People.

Mrs. N. B. Bronner and son of Little Falls are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Whitney. — Harold Jewell departed last week to spend a few days at the home of his uncle, Seth Gano, Boston, Mass. — Mrs. Ford Eckler went to Ayle, Mass., last week to spend a short time with her husband, who is in training at Camp Devens. — Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Armstrong and two sons and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Armstrong are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Armstrong at Cherry Valley. — Mrs. Clara Platt is the guest for a few days of her sister, Mrs. F. M. Thorn, at Portlandville. — Prof. F. D. Schreiber of Port Washington is spending the holidays in town.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

Joseph Reynolds III of Pneumonia at Thanksgiving Hospital.

Cooperstown, Dec. 24.—Joseph Reynolds, son of Frank Reynolds, was taken to Thanksgiving hospital late Friday afternoon, ill with pneumonia.

Burial of James Krum.

Friday evening at 7.30 at 253 Hamilton street, Albany, the funeral services of James Krum were held. The burial will take place in Lakewood cemetery, Cooperstown, Saturday morning. Mr. Krum, who was 77 years old, died Wednesday.

Transferred to Miami.

Lynn Marble, who Thursday started for Bay Shore, L. I., to enter into training for the Quartermaster's Division of the Navy Aviation department, was notified while on his way, of his transfer to Miami, Florida.

Service Flag For Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus have unfurled a service flag at their rooms on Main street. It bears three stars but should have four, in honor of James Hagerty, Thomas Henry and John Moakler of this village and Prof. Flanagan of Cherry Valley. Mr. Moakler, who is in Detroit, where he has a commission as sergeant in the Department of Accounts in the Aviation corp, enlisted after the flag was ordered.

Mid-Winter Rhetorical Contest.

The mid-winter contest in declamation and recitation participated in by pupils of the High school will be entered by the following contestants: Misses Gladys L. Hayner, Annie H. Potter, Martha M. Smith, Helen G. Willsey; Walter B. Davidson, Bradford L. Klock, Willis Morgan, Murray S. Tanner.

P. J. McCook Promoted.

Philip J. McCook, son-in-law of Mrs. P. H. Brown of Cooperstown, has received his commission as a major in the Officers' Reserve corps and will be attached to the adjutant-general's staff. Major McCook has for the past eight months devoted his entire time to the work of director of the draft in New York city. He is a descendant of the "Fighting McCooks of Ohio." He went to Harvard but in 1893 left the law school to enlist in the Sixth Massachusetts Infantry, U. S. V., and went at once to Cuba; he joined Squadron A of New York in 1894 and was a corporal in that organization for five years. After receiving his law degree from Harvard, he became associated with the firm Reed, Simpson, Watcher and Barnum of New York; later the firm of McCook and Hatch was formed, still later that of Reed, McCook and Hoyt.

AGED MIDDLEFIELD WOMAN

Dies Monday Morning after Long Illness—Funeral Wednesday.

Middlefield, Dec. 24.—Mrs. James North, one of the oldest and most respected residents of this village, died this morning at the home of her son, Clatie J. North. She was in the eighty-first year of her age and had been in failing health for some time. She was taken suddenly worse on Sunday evening and died as above stated, the immediate cause of death being pneumonia. The funeral services will be held at her late home on Wednesday at 2 p. m. They will be conducted by Rev. W. W. Ward of the Middlefield Baptist church, assisted by Rev. S. S. Robins of the Methodist Episcopal church. Interment will be in the family plot in the village cemetery.

Mrs. North was a woman of most exemplary life and beautiful character and will be greatly missed in the home and community. She is survived by the son above named, by one sister, Mrs. J. E. Crall of Troy, and by a brother, Charles Reno of Pennsylvania.

Pound Party Friday Evening.

There will be a pound party on Friday evening of this week for the benefit of Rev. S. S. Robins, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. All are cordially invited.

OBSERVED IN OTEGO.

Otego, Dec. 24.—Dr. B. Cordella Hathaway of Albany is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hathaway. — Miss Regina Roberts who is teaching in Glen Falls, is visiting at her home here. — Miss Ruby Trask of Suffern is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Trask. — Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Dellen of Gloversville are visiting the latter's grandfather, Theodore Martin. — Guy Barney is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barney. — Earl Widger is spending several days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Widger. — Miss May Houghton

of Binghamton is spending Christmas at her home here. — Miss Eldora Card of Binghamton is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Card. — Merle Smith, who recently enlisted in the navy and has been stationed in Boston, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smith. — Miss Evalena Terry is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Terry. — Rev. F. S. Harwood, a former pastor of the Baptist church, has been calling on friends in town and Sunday preached at the afternoon service. There will be a meeting of the Red Cross at the home of Mrs. S. R. Lewis on Wednesday afternoon.

WELLS BRIDGE BUDGET.

Wells Bridge, Dec. 24.—Harvey Holmes, stationed at Camp Green, gave his friends in this vicinity a surprise by arriving here on Sunday on a seven day furlough. — Many of the patrons of the Mutual McDermott Dairy company are taking their milk to other stations, causing a laying off of some of their help. Meanwhile a receiver has been appointed and the plant will continue to do business. — A sleigh load from this vicinity attended the Christmas cantata, "Peace and Good Will," given at the Baptist church at Unadilla Sunday night. — The Sunday school of the Methodist church had its Christmas tree and exercises at the church on Saturday evening. — Miss Letha Merriman, teacher at Utica, and Miss Leah Brennan, who teaches at Passaic, are home for the holiday vacation. — Rev. Frank Harwood has been engaged for the season at the Baptist church at Adams, to which place he is moving his family.

MILFORD CENTER.

Milford Center, Dec. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Squire are in Kortright to attend the funeral of the latter's brother, William Squire. — The school held a Christmas entertainment this evening in the church. — Mr. and Mrs. D. Pashley were shoppers in Oneonta on Friday. — Mrs. M. E. Arnold has recovered from her recent illness. — Mrs. Maude Bliss and daughter, Hazel, spent Friday in One-

DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS IN STAMFORD.

Red Cross Sends Barrel of Luxuries to Military Relief.

Stamford, Dec. 24.—The Stamford branch shipped on Monday to the Military relief a barrel of jellies, preserves, pickles and canned delicacies donated in response to an appeal a short time since.

Preparatory Lecture.

The regular preparatory lecture was given on Friday afternoon in the Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Caver, and the regular communion service was held on Sunday morning, December 23.

Mayhams Lake Good Pickering Fishing.

Numerous parties have been visiting Mayhams lake lately with exceedingly good results, fine catches of pickerel being reported by the fishermen.

Usual Christmas Holidays.

The Stamford Seminary closed its session on Friday afternoon to reopen after the Christmas holidays. Many of the teachers left on Friday night for their homes and the rest on Friday morning.

Ice Harvest Is Again On.

Workmen are busy filling some of the icehouses in the place in spite of the heavy snow that fell, blocking the work for some time. The ice is of fine quality and about ten inches thick. The contract for the filling of the Mutual Milk company's ice house at South Gilboa was to be done by John Gray but owing to the heavily increased rate of insurance on the help employed he has not yet started the work. The failure of the Mutual Milk company may be partly responsible for the delay in the job.

Unknown Owner Leaves Overland Car. Some automobilist try to defy the heavily drifted roads on the Harpers-

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Pursuant to an order of Shibley L. Huntington, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Mary C. Chesbro, deceased, late of the town of Oneonta, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers thereof, to the undersigned executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, at his office, in the city of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the twentieth day of April, next.

Dated, October 10, 1917. GEORGE L. GIBBS, Executor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Pursuant to an order of Shibley L. Huntington, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of J. Olney Rowe, deceased, late of the town of Oneonta, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers thereof, to the undersigned executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, at his office, in the city of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the twentieth day of April, next.

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Oneonta.—Mrs. C. R. Garlick was a shopper in Oneonta, Tuesday. — Mrs. Belle Proston spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. R. J. Shephard, in Colliers. — Mrs. Doris Edson spent Wednesday with Mrs. C. R. Garlick.

LAURENS LOCALS.

Laurens, Dec. 24.—The Junior Red Cross realized \$18 from the social, held in McLaren's hall last Friday night. As Mrs. McLaren donated the use of the hall the total receipts went to the Red Cross. — Mrs. Josephine Smith has returned home, after spending some time in nearby towns. — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quail are spending the winter at their home here. — Mrs. Matilda Adams has been visiting her son in Mt. Vernon. — Mrs. W. C. Teitcamp of Schenectady is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. M. Harris. — Mrs. Baldwin, who recently moved here from New York city, has returned for a few days on business matters.

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Sensible gifts have always been in good taste. This year they'll be right in line with the spirit of the times. This Christmas will have a little more flavor of the conservative and practical.

If, when you're making the purchase, you'll say that it is for a Christmas Gift, we shall be glad to put it up for you in a special Holiday package. Bring the name card with you, and we'll wrap that inside—the package needn't be opened again until Christmas Day.

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"TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY."

The note of joy and gladness sound-
ed Sunday evening in the cantata
given at the Methodist church was es-
pecially appropriate. For the first
time in centuries Jerusalem, the Holy
City, is in Christian hands. Just be-
fore the first Christmas a Caesarian
decree went out from Rome that all
the world was to be taxed. From the
same city of seven hills has just gone
forth the Papal verdict that no nation
wanting the blessings of the Holy Fa-
ther may take any part in an attempt
to recapture Jerusalem. The an-
nouncement that Jerusalem had fallen
was one that brought joy and glad-
ness all out of proportion to the strate-
gic location or to the military advan-
tage of the city. Rejoicing has been
great everywhere.

As the cantata was being sung that
evening one saw in the Red Cross flags
on either side of the pulpit the new
emblem of the Cross which has just
been set up in Jerusalem. In the stars
of the service flag of the church one
saw possibly a part of the new Beth-
lehem constellation which is to bring
peace on earth and good will among
men.

The Christmas greetings of James
Cardinal Farley, just published in Am-
erica, the great Catholic weekly, brings
comfort to every member of that faith.
The edict from the Vatican, to which
reference has already been made,
leads one to believe that Christmas
will mean more in the years to come
because Jerusalem will be no longer
in the hands of the Turks.

But to another nation has come tid-
ings of great joy. When the newspa-
per extras, with headlines clear across
the page, announced "Jerusalem Has
Fallen!" the Jewish quarters in New
York and other cities presented a
scene which will probably not be re-
peated until "the boys come march-
ing home." Shops were closed and
men, with tears streaming down their
faces, embraced one another on city
streets with the words, "The Holy City
Has Fallen!" At night when they
knew to pray, they turned their faces
toward the new Jerusalem.

In their hearts was a new hope kind-
led by the words of the British prime
minister that a Jewish state be estab-
lished in Palestine—a state guaran-
teed by England, America and other
allied countries. Should such a con-
dition obtain, it would be a literal ful-
fillment of the prophecy that Palestine
should be restored to the Jews with-
out battle on their part and that it
should be nurtured by kings and
princes. Already much property in
Palestine has been purchased in the
name of the Jewish state and is only
leased to tenants. A great Jewish
state bank has been organized and is
today loaning funds to keep industries
working during war times. The re-
markable thing is that the bank has
had to refuse deposits because the
supply of capital was greater than the
demand. Ancient Hebrew is now be-
ing taught, that the language of the
New Jerusalem may be that of David
and the fathers of Israel.

Gentiles and Jews are, at this Christ-
mas tide, saying o. Jerusalem the
words of the Great Jehovah, "Thy
walls are before me."

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Those people who have opposed
sending tobacco to the soldiers at the
front lest the men be encouraged in a
habit which is looked upon with dis-
favor, may now do something for the
men without encouraging the tobacco
habit, the call has been sent out that
many of the men find gum steadies
their nerves and a fund is being
raised to provide it for the men.

There would be no need to tell in
detail the benefits of chewing gum to
our gallant boys in the army and navy.
The one big outstanding fact is that
they positively crave it and they can't
get enough of it. It stimulates the
brain, quickens the digestion, and
calms the nerves. A very famous
English general has chewing gum
served every night at mess. "Where
men must be alert you will find chew-
ing gum," has become a proverb.

And, of course, our boys depend for
their chewing gum upon their friends,
whose battles they are fighting. That's
why a number of public spirited peo-
ple in the Navy league have patrioti-
cally undertaken the arduous task of
supervising the distribution of public
gifts to our fighting forces. All con-
tributions for chewing gum will be
gladly received and acknowledged by
W. W. Pilkington, at 26 Broadway.

The Hindenburg Catacombs.

The thirteen mile Hindenburg tun-
nel trench extending from Bullecourt
northwest to the Scarpe, east of Ar-
ras, was forty feet underground and
had an entrance from the trench sys-
tem every thirty-five yards. Russian
prisoners of war dug it. To employ
prisoners of war in such work is in
violation of all except the German
rules of war.

This tunnel is chiefly interesting as
an example of German adaptability.
Our enemies seem to be so comfort-
able underground that we need have
no scruples about putting as many as
possible there.—(New York Sun)

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS

Officers Physically Fit.

The war department is examining
the officers of the army to make sure
that no man whose physical dis-
abilities, slight though they may be,
would be detrimental to the effi-
ciency of their service, go to France.
Our officers will carry a heavy bur-
den. Comparatively few of them
have had professional training in
military routine; they are men of
ability intensively trained to meet a
military emergency. On their adap-
tability, their courage, their receptive
capacity under field experience will
depend in no slight measure the suc-
cess of our army in the field. It is
wise that they be at the peak of
physical fitness when they enter on
their duties in France.—(Rochester
Post-Express)

Reclaiming By-Products.

Potash is to be reclaimed from the
ash in cement plant chimneys, and
illuminating gas is forced to yield high
explosives. If the utilization of in-
cidental products continues, the staples
of industrial life will soon be relegated
to a contemptible position of absolute
dependency.—(Springfield Republican)

Russia, the Deserter.

It is not easy to restrain bitterness
and resentment in treating of Russia's
desertion and betrayal of her allies.
Judging by all the standards of na-
tional and international morality,
Russia is today a traitor nation, guilty
of cowardly surrender to the enemy
and the worst form of treachery to
her friends. Under the leadership of
men who are either fanatics or greedy
agents, Russia has forfeited her place
among honorable nations and become
more despicable than a beaten foe.—
[Brooklyn Eagle]

The Usual Thing.

Philadelphia reports that with every
one of them counted the Socialists in
that city have less than three per cent
of the vote. But in Philadelphia, as
elsewhere, these minority voters make
more noise than the other 97 per
cent combined.—[Utica Observer]

No Time for Hysterics.

Congressional investigations are in-
stituted for the purpose of disclosing
what has been done badly, not what
has been done well, and the country
is now getting a glimpse of the seamy
side of a wonderful achievement. It
is just as well that it should, provid-
ed the American people keep their
heads and refuse to allow every re-
corded mistake to shake their nerves.
It has been said apropos of military
blunders that while the Germans
wash their dirty linen in the cellar
the French and British wash theirs in
the city hall square. That is our way
too. But wars are not won merely by
washing dirty linen or the magnifying
failures and shortcomings. They are
won by confidence and courage and
resolution. The American people may
be very sure that Congress will not
investigate the German army out of
its trenches and that Prussian auto-
cracy will never be overthrown by Con-
gressional nagging of soldiers and ad-
ministrators who may be muddling
but who are at least muddling in the
right direction.—[New York World]

Victory of the Burden of Militarism.

War taxation in time of war is not
agreeable, but is borne because it is
necessary. How would permanent
war taxation in time of peace be en-
joyed? This country does not want
to be come militarist. It wants to lay
down the sword as soon as its unwell-
come but necessary work is done.
Who are they who would thwart this
desire and force militarism on her
forever, make the sword cleave to her
hand? The pacifists, and those who
would have us shake hands with an
unbeaten, unrepentant, and still lust-
ing Germany.—[New York Times]

The Turk is Serving Kultur.

No commander except the Turk cor-
rupted by Prussian overlord would
loot the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.
If any man suggested to Gen-
eral Allenby, the conqueror of Jeru-
salem, that he should remove from
the church its sacred vessels, to send
to King George, he would be expelled
from the camp; if an insane man
should gather them up and escape
with them to France or Italy, or
Petrograd, or Japan, or to any of the
other countries arrayed against Ger-
many, he would be punished, and they
would be returned. The Bolsheviks
might rob the church, but the Russian
people would scorn the act. But the
Prussian system is different. The
world learned of it in the Boxer up-
rising. It reaches out for the as-
tronomical instruments of China, and
it accepts the monstrosity from the
Church of the Holy Sepulchre; and
the Kaiser will keep the monstrosity
if he can. For such is the nature of
kultur.—[New York Sun]

Germany Has Little Food for Hope.

Among other food supplies of which
Germany is running short there is
now a noticeable shortage in the sup-
ply of food for hope. Captain Persius,
the German naval writer, has recently
been trying to persuade his fellow-
countrymen to feed their hope on half
rations.

The submarine is not going to starve
England, he now admits. All that
Germany has to count on is the pos-
sibility that the reduction in tonnage
may break the fighting spirit of the
British people and make them willing
to quit.

As Hindenburg has already told the
Germans, in effect, that the army can
do nothing but hold on and wait for
the U-boat, this declaration by Persius
shows that there is simply no possible
limit to the time which the German
people may have to wait.

Italy and Russia may supply a little
temporary nourishment for German
confidence, but those purchased vic-
tories won't go far. Hope will die of
starvation before the Germans get any-
where near their last loaf. And no
nation fights when hope is gone.—
[Birmingham Press]

Entrance to a Dugout



"HIS LETTER."

His letter home may be composed under these difficult conditions and
in a concealed "cranny" of this sort.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Institutes and Speakers in Chenango,
Delaware and Otsego.

The Bureau of Farmers' Institutes,
which is under the directorship of Ed-
ward VanAlstyne, is the educational
branch of the State Department of
Farms and Markets. During the
present winter the Farmers' institutes
promise to awaken greater interest
and to be productive of better results
than ever before. About 375 insti-
tutes have been arranged, and before
the winter is over, more than 100,000
persons will undoubtedly have been
reached.

Particular attention will be given to
the food problem and to fundamental
matters relating to agriculture grow-
ing out of the acute conditions brought
about by the war.

Institutes to be held in this vicinity
this next week together with local
committees in charge are listed as fol-
lows:

Franklin, Delaware county, Jan. 2.
Local committee—A. W. Rowell, Mrs.
A. O. Potter.

West Exeter, Otsego county, Jan. 3.
Local committee—Mrs. M. E. Arm-
strong, West Winfield, R. D. 2; Mrs.
Walter Morris, West Winfield, R. D. 2.
Burlington, Otsego county,
Jan. 4. Local committee—D. F. Ar-
nold, Mrs. E. W. Jones.

New Berlin, Chenango county, Jan.
5. Local committee, Thomas Stitts,
Mrs. Fred J. Vail.

The institutes depend for much of
their success on the enterprise of the
local committees in charge in awak-
ening interest and enthusiasm in the
community where each meeting is
held. The speakers on each circuit
are specialists in the line of farming
that is practised in the county in
which they visit. Those who will lec-
ture in this vicinity next week are:
A. J. Nicoll, Dr. C. D. Huxtable and
Dr. Lucia E. Heaton.

Flight of American Railroads.

In his weekly financial review
Henry Clews says: "Security values
have fallen to lower levels owing to
persistent liquidation and absence of
buying power. The causes for this
liquidation are becoming more and
more evident. Briefly, they are war
pressure, advanced interest rates, heavy
taxes, diminished profits, the flight
of American railroads, and selling to
counterbalance excess profit taxes. Of
these causes, the railroad problem
easily comes first. Every person at all
familiar with business affairs appre-
ciates the real crux of the situation.
Our railroads have been unjustly
treated for a number of years by our
lawmakers, guided more by prejudice
than by intelligent comprehension. The
responsibility for breakdown of the
American railroad system should be
squarely placed where it belongs; that
is, upon those members of the Inter-
state Commerce commission who
steadily refused to allow the railroads
to compensate themselves for in-
creased costs of operation which they
could not avoid. When every other
line of industry has been obliged to
charge more for its services to offset
increased expenses, there was no
reason why the railroads should be
singled out for such unjust discrimina-
tion, particularly now that their main-
tenance is so vital, not only to the
country as a whole, but to our success
in winning the war. Without inten-
tion, perhaps, but because of a lack of
railroad experience or actual incompe-
tence, these officials starved the rail-
roads, injured their credit and de-
prived them of the necessary means
to preserve efficiency. Other draw-
backs affected the railroads, but here
rests the chief blame; the result being
that when the stress of war came our
roads were found weakened by starva-
tion and threatened by a general
breakdown. Clearly this was the con-
sequence evidently of placing our
transportation lines under the control
of men subject to political influences.
What is to be done? Mr. Wilson has
a difficult task. Congress does not com-
mand the confidence of business men
as it should, and it is questionable if it
has the ability to handle so intricate
and delicate a problem free from po-
litical prejudice. At least it has not
yet shown any signs of such ability,
and the safest course is to leave the
railroads managers to work out their
own salvation; their interests and
those of the United States being iden-
tical at this time. The government
might with advantage to itself and
the public insist upon unit operation,
permit pooling and offer some sort of
financial aid. Given this relief and

adequate rates, our railroads could
once more be placed upon a sound
and efficient basis, such as the nation
must have to obtain victory over our
enemies, who have been very material-
ly aided by misregulation of our own
railroads."

Train Record for November.

The various railway companies of
the state report to the Public Service
commission that during the month of
November there were 61,941 passen-
ger trains operated in the state, of
which 75.8 per cent were on time at
terminals, no record being made of
trains which were ten minutes late or
less. Over 40 per cent of the last time
was the result of waiting for connec-
tions and 21 per cent on account of
train work at stations. The Utica
and Delaware stands second among all
the roads of the state, having 92.8 per
cent of trains on time, and the Dela-
ware and Hudson is fourth with a re-
cord of 82.7 per cent. Neither the D.
L. & W., New York Central or the
Ontario and Western had so good a
record.

A Patriotic Mistake.

When the new war savings certifi-
cates were first placed on sale in New
York city, by mistake the clerks at
the Wall street branch of the post-
office asked \$5.12 for them instead of
\$4.12. And, strange to relate, the buy-
ers paid it. Neither clerks nor public
seemed to see anything queer about
paying \$5.12 for a security which, with
accumulated interest, would amount
to \$5 at the end of the five years. —
[Elmira Star-Gazette]

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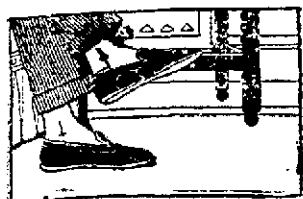
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YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE.

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LOCAL MENTION.

The usual Christmas services at St. James' Protestant Episcopal church will be held at 7:30 and 10:30 o'clock this morning.

The post office will be open today, Christmas Day, until 12 o'clock, noon. One delivery will be made by city letter carriers, and all incoming parcels received will be delivered.

Is your job your only asset? If so, then what have you to fall back on if your position or your ability to hold it fails you, unless you have a thrift, Christmas club or emergency account in the Wilber National bank? The government urges thrift and everyone should avail himself of the plan outlined in the half-page advertisement of the Wilber National on another page. Read it, join now and become a prosperous Thrift club member.

Dead Purchases by D. & H.

A short time ago The Star printed a list of parcels of property acquired by the Delaware and Hudson company in the towns of Worcester and Maryland in connection with the third-trading of the line in these townships. Among other lands purchased, of which the deeds have lately been put on record, are the following: Elizabeth Storm, Maryland, \$1,100; Martha S. Judge, Maryland, \$1,800; Bowman Groff, Schenectady, \$300; John T. Bennett, Maryland, \$1,100; Rancie Snyder, Worcester, \$1,500; George W. Arnold Maryland, \$500.

Income Tax Officer Here.

Official notice has been received by the banks that a federal income tax officer will be located in the post office building here from January 2 to February 15, inclusive, supplied with the necessary blank forms and prepared to dispense freely information regarding the income tax law. Every person with a net income, subject to the tax, needing assistance or information should avail himself of this opportunity in order to avoid fines or imprisonment for neglecting to render a report of his income.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The annual meeting of the Ononota Y. M. C. A. which was postponed from Dec. 12, will be held this evening at the Association building at 8 o'clock for the election of directors and transaction of any other business that may be necessary.

The Bowling league will finish the games of the first tournament this week and will celebrate the event with a supper and social evening Wednesday, January 3, after which a second series of games will be arranged.

Meetings Today.

Centennial lodge No. 447, I. O. O. F., this evening at 7:30. A good attendance is desired. Election of officers.

Meetings Wednesday.

Regular meeting Modern Woodmen of America, Wednesday evening at 7:30, in K. of P. hall.

Regular meeting of W. C. T. U. Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Y. M. C. A. rooms. Topic, "Our Pioneers." Leader, Mrs. Holmes.

Appreciated Gift for Little Folk.

The sum of \$75 donated by the Liquor Dealers' association of Ononota to the Woman's club for the Christmas cheer of deserving children was apportioned by the members of the Philanthropic committee of the club. As a result of their labors and the kindly gift, many little ones of the city whose holiday might otherwise have seemed inadequate, will have occasion long to remember the Christmas of 1917.

The Bank of Service.

Aply named as The Bank of Service to the nation, state, county and vicinity, is the Citizens' National bank, in the half page announcement in this issue, in which it extends holiday greetings to all and invites all to avail themselves of its privilege and service. It richly deserves the appellation and equally merits the patronage it solicits.

No Star on Wednesday.

Today being Christmas day, with all its hallowed associations, The Star force will be given a holiday and no paper will be issued from this office Wednesday morning.

Greetings of the Season.

J. E. Holdredge, clothier of 8 Broad street, extends the greetings of the season to his friend and patrons with best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He also thanks them for their patronage, and hopes to merit and receive continuance of the same during the year to come. advt 1t

Piano Player at Auction.

I will sell on Dec. 29, 1917, at 1 p. m., at public auction, at the cafe of Molinari Bros. of Ononota, a Peerless player. Terms cash. C. F. Winslow. advt 5t

Special for Christmas.

Fresh dressed Rhode Island fowls and chickens. Todd's Cash market. Phone 19. Open Christmas until 11 a. m. advt 2t

Roast turkey with cranberry sauce at the Twentieth Century lunch room today. advt 1t

Dr. E. D. VanCleft has rented offices in the First National bank block, 170 Main street. advt 3t

Roast duck dinner at the Dairy unch today. advt 1t

Turkey dinner at the Pioneer Lunch today. advt 1t

A BIG SUCCESS ASSURED

All Are Making Plans to Attend the Red Cross Carnival Friday Night.

The carnival to be given in the Ononota hotel next Friday night is now assured of being a big success.

The various chairmen and committees are working in absolute harmony and unity, and when the elevator swings the crowd toward the fifth floor of the hotel at 8 o'clock Friday evening, a novel and interesting entertainment will await every patron.

While the admission is 50 cents each and five cents charged for other features, there will be fifty cents worth of pleasure for every one. Those who do not dance can view the midway and listen to the specially trained army of "barkers" who will present the features of the show in novel, unique and positive language. Rehearsals already are being held in this branch, both among the animals and with the "barkers."

Card tables for those who desire this pleasure will also be provided. Reels of tickets will be sold. This will avoid making change and when the tickets are gone a new supply can be had.

The buffet lunch, which is to be served in the Chamber of Commerce rooms under the supervision of Mrs. L. P. Butts, promises to have all the delicacies at modern prices—five cents a portion.

The popcorn and ice cream booth which Miss Charlotte Lunn is to preside over, starts with a good nucleus.

Yesterday morning when Landlord Millard was waiting for his breakfast to be served, he called up W. W. Hovey, manager of the International Milk Products company of Cooperstown. A conversation something like this followed: "Yes, Mr. Millard, this is Hovey. What do you want me to do for that carnival?" "We want a little ice cream and cones to serve it in," came the response from the Ononota man. "All right, said Mr. Hovey, 'how much do you want?' 'About ten gallons' said Mr. Millard. 'It's a great pleasure to contribute this cream to such a worthy cause' said the voice from Cooperstown, 'and unless we have a railroad wreck it will be in your hotel Friday evening, December 28, by 6 o'clock.' So Cooperstown starts off with the first contribution for the carnival.

There will be plenty of ice cream and pop corn and other delicacies yet to be contributed. The sweet tooth is to be carefully looked after. When the committee was organized to promote this big carnival it was understood there were to be no expenses. Everything is to be donated. The rooms in the hotel and the lights are to be furnished by Landlord Millard; the music for dancing is to be donated by the various musicians of the city; edibles for the buffet lunch are to be donated through the committee soliciting for this purpose; delicacies donated for the confectionery booth are already partially secured.

The Star previously has mentioned the event would be informal. No fixed rule will prevail governing what the men and women shall wear. If they want to wear their evening clothes all right—if not, all right. All will be welcome. It will be a cosmopolitan and representative gathering.

It will be an intermingling of people from throughout the city and county—one big social event of the winter and one which will turn into the coffers of the local Red Cross a sum of money that will provide many comforts and necessities for our boys at the front.

Chairman Holley has his ticket committee vigorously at work selling tickets. Not only will the city be canvassed for the purchase of tickets but the communities which are represented in the local chapter of the Red Cross also will be invited to sell a quantity of tickets. The people of Ononota must remember this is a community effort in which every resident of this city should feel a personal and lasting pride. No one should withhold his or her support but with a united spirit rally to the cause.

This should be the one big holiday celebration in which the whole community participates.

Births.

Born, Dec. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey House, corner of East street and Olin avenue, a son.

Born, Dec. 22, at the Wanda sanitarium, to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Tiffany, 355 Main street, a 6-pound son, Samuel Reynolds. Both mother and child are doing nicely.

A daughter, Thelma, was born Saturday evening, December 22, to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Metcal of Westavenport.

Here's the Solution.

If you desire to give the husband, son, brother or your "steady" a gift that he can enjoy and will be satisfactory, send him a box of Stetson cigars. They always please. advt 3t

Eye glasses as supplied by Dr. G. E. Shoemaker, optometrist, give best possible satisfaction. Eyes examined every Wednesday. Hours, 11 to 4. Second floor, main entrance, Department Store building. advt 2aw 1t

Join Today.

Only 20 Columbia Grafonolas left in our Christmas club. Buy on easy terms or trade in your piano or organ. Fred N. VanWile. advt 4t

Notice.

All union barber shops will close at 9:30 p. m. on Saturday nights commencing Dec. 15. advt 6t

Bring your burned or broken stove grate to the Titcheener Culver Iron works and have a new piece cast. Phone 547-W. advt 1t

Boys wanted—To deliver papers. Must be 14 years o'd. Apply Star office. advt 1t

376 Wright's taxi. advt 1t

FIVE ENLIST IN ONEONTA

Local Enrollment Board Does Good Work in Enlistments—All Residents of Ononota.

In its capacity of recruiting agent for registered men, the Local Board added five men to Uncle Sam's volunteer forces yesterday afternoon, the recruits being Collis H. Washburn, Stuart W. Butts, Arthur Wheeler, Edward J. VanHousen and Harry L. Johnson, all of this city. The two first named enlisted in the ordnance department and will be sent to Raritan, N. J. VanHousen, Johnson and Wheeler will enter the quartermaster corps and will go to Jacksonville, Fla., for their training.

Of the men sent questionnaires December 15, but four had failed to file them when their time limit expired last night. They are Eugene Teetsell and Raffaele Mislil of Worcester, Harry L. Bundy of Otisco and George G. Marlette of Mt. Vision. Their names were handed to the local representatives of the state mounted police. Unless they can show an excellent reason for their delinquency they will be reported to the state military authorities.

Seventeen men were classified by the Board yesterday. DeForest G. Rossman, already in the service, goes in class V, as does Foru Grady, on the ground of physical disability. The following advanced no claims and were put in the first group: George Hotelling, Fred J. Clark, Carl T. Cornish, Rasmus E. Nichols, Orville M. Cronk-hite, Nicholas Chicorelli, Grant M. Bishop, Lester Banner and Earl Hoke. The claims of the following to be put in class V because of physical disability, were denied and they will stand in class I, subject to the examination of the board physician: Russell B. Auger, Lynn P. Earl, Frank N. Sigbee, Floyd L. Gridley, Ira L. Pierce and Lewis Cole.

The questionnaires of the following were returned by the post office as undeliverable: Agton R. Sarensen, R. D. No. 2, South New Berlin; William H. Lawron, West Laurens; Earl D. Barney, 16 Fourth street, Ononota; Angelo Camposse, West Laurens; Carmeno Maraffa, West Laurens; Abramo Caparelli, D. & H. switch, East End, Ononota; Dominico Perli, West Laurens. Information in regard to their whereabouts is desired.

No questionnaires will be mailed today. Tomorrow copies will go out to registrants whose order numbers come between 801 and 900. Registrants are reminded that the questionnaires mailed December 17, are due tomorrow.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

Trees and Appropriate Exercises in Churches of Ononota.

Last night was the one before Christmas, and such of the Ononota churches as had not previously had observances for their children held them last evening, or at least most of them. At all there was a good attendance, and the programs rendered were in full accord with the spirit of the occasion.

At the Chapin Memorial church there was a tree for the little folks and a program in which with songs and recitations most of the pupils participated. The musical program included several of the world-famous songs of the Christmas tide, including "Joy to the World," "Silent Night" and "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." A feature of the program was a brief but appropriate address by the pastor.

At the West End Baptist church the exercises at 7:30 last evening followed the appropriate line of holiday observance. There was a large attendance and all were delighted with the program as rendered. A distribution of presents to the children of the school followed the literary and musical program.

The annual exercises at the Free Baptist Sunday school began at 7 o'clock last evening. The program was excellent in quality, abundant in quantity and fine in delivery, including as it did recitations, songs and various exercises. At the close of the exercises Santa Claus appeared and made liberal distribution of presents.

The Kindergarten department of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school gave a very pleasant party Monday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Frank Shuts, their teacher. The little folks had as their guests about twenty other children of the city. A pleasant hour was spent with refreshments and story telling and there was a Christmas tree on which there were presents for each of the little ones who were their guests.

"NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH"

Big Laugh Fest at Ononota Theatre Friday Night.

"Nothing But the Truth" is the title of a farcial play which will be presented by Harry Stubbs and a big New York cast at the Ononota theatre Friday night only. To have nothing but the truth in real life in this day of exaggeration and misstatement would be a little out of the ordinary. In this farce we find something out of the ordinary, for it is clean, bright, witty and thoroughly entertaining and engenders more legitimate laughter than the great mass of plays of its kind that cater solely to human ribbilities. It is different, in that it creates mirth in a natural, easy way, without straining for an effect or resorting to horse play. Its humor is inherent in its action as the story is unfolded to the ten thousand dollar wagger of the buoyant spirited central character who takes upon himself the burden of truthful utterance. It is a play of strong, human character drawing and G. M. Anderson and L. Lawrence Weber have, after much effort, secured a notable cast to support Mr. Stubbs.

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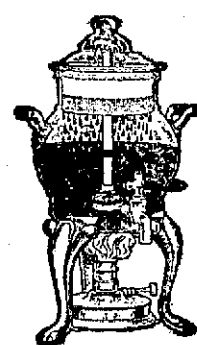
Carnations, pink and white. Roses, red, yellow, pink and white. Violets. Potted Plants Azaleas, Begonias, Cyclamen, Primula, Primrose, Heather, etc. Made up baskets—Containing Poinsettias, Primroses, Marguerites, Ferns, etc.

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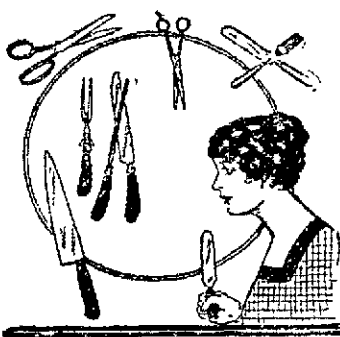
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PERSONALS.

Hon. N. P. Willis of Cooperstown was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Carr and mother are spending Christmas in Schenectady.

Mrs. Thomas Dailey and daughter, Alice, spent Monday with friends in Binghamton.

Mrs. Annie Somers of 45 London avenue, is spending Christmas with relatives in Waverly.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wilson are spending Christmas at the former's old home in Portlandville.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Fenton of Ilion are guests for Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Hopkins.

Mrs. F. D. Wright of this city is spending the Christmas holiday with her parents in Windsor.

Mrs. W. F. Stapleton is the guest over Christmas of her sister Mrs. J. E. Scales in Binghamton.

The Misses Nellie and Elizabeth Noonan of Schenectady were in Oneonta on business yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heiman Osborn are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Barlow at Schenectady.

Mrs. A. F. Wing, who has been ill for a few days, remains in about the same condition as last reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Lake of Cobleskill are guests for Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Carl House of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crounse and son, Mervin, of this city are spending Christmas with relatives in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Wright are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Fred Gilman, in Binghamton, for Christmas day.

Mrs. Charles Robinson and son, Frederick, of 98 River street, are visiting relatives in Treadwell for a few days.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brady of New York city is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Brady, 18 Fairview street.

C. D. Price of New York city is spending Christmas with his family at the home of G. R. Mabley and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Watson departed yesterday for a brief sojourn with their daughter, Mrs. A. E. Jones, in Albany.

Jerome Walsh of 136 Chestnut street, a student of Brown university, left yesterday for Scranton, Pa., to spend the holidays.

Lieutenant L. W. McNamie of the Ordnance department of New York city is visiting Mrs. A. W. Carr, 43 Ford avenue.

Mrs. M. Olin and cousin, James Stanton of Oneonta, are visiting the former's niece, Mrs. Louis Tice, in Cherry Valley.

Mrs. L. St. John and daughter, Mary, of 10 Center street, are spending Christmas with the former's father in Amsterdam.

Miss Ethel Nichols and brother of 23 Otsego street are spending Christmas with a cousin, L. W. Johnson, at Central Bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodrich and daughter, Alice, of 21 Cedar street, are spending Christmas with Miss Jay Smith of Albany.

Miss Lillian Whitaker of Binghamton is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. G. E. Zeh of 16 Fifth street, in this city.

Miss Julia Abell, a teacher in the high school at Paterson, N. J., is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in this city.

James Hargrave and daughter, Mrs. Ella Walcott of 9 Valleyview street, are spending Christmas with the former's son, William Hargrave, in Rockdale.

Otis J. Bailey was home for a day or two from Camp Devens, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Grace Kouse, 47 West street. He will return to camp today.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nearing of New Lisbon have returned to their home, after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Nearing, 9 Center street.

Pilot Frank G. Sanford, formerly of the Oneonta Normal faculty, arrived in Oneonta Saturday and is spending a two weeks' vacation in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Platt of Milford were in Oneonta last evening on their way to Schenectady for Christmas at the home of the latter's father, W. J. Noonan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Strait of Morris, who had been visiting there son James in Oneonta, left yesterday for a visit at the home of Sherman Strait near Gilbertsville.

Mrs. M. F. Butterfield, Miss Ruth Butterfield and Mondell Butterfield are spending a few days with the former's sister, Mrs. A. D. Wilcox, in Binghamton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Cowles of Carbondale, Pa., and William Cowles of Watertown are spending Christmas with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Limer Joslin Ford avenue.

Miss Nellie and Marian Every of Binghamton arrived home Saturday evening to spend the holidays at the home of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Every Chestnut street.

Corporal Lewis Northrup of Camp Greene Charlotte North Carolina who is spending a brief furlough at his home in Cobleskill, was in Oneonta Monday, calling on friends.

Herbert Getman of the naval forces of the United States arrived in Oneonta Monday morning and for a short time will be the guest of his mother, Mrs. A. D. Getman of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Goodenough, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Goodenough and Miss Ella Goodenough of this city are spending Christmas at the home of J. Lawrence Converse in Cooperstown.

Lieut. Clyde D. Utter of the Engineering corps of the National army arrived in Oneonta Monday, and will be the guest for a few days of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Utter, and his sister, Mrs. Carl House.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cornell of Alliance, Ohio, arrived in Oneonta yesterday and is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Emma Hall, at the home of her brother, E. L. Hall, on South Side. The family reunion will be held today at the home of Morey J. Hall, in this city.

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Mrs. Yager was born in Pennsylvania and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Williams. She was married to Mr. Yager about 55 years ago, and ever since had lived in Oneonta and vicinity. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Eliza Beams and Mrs. William Hungerford, and one son, Howard Yager, all of Oneonta; also two brothers, James and Herman Williams of North Franklin, and two sisters, Miss Jennie Carlin of Otego and Mrs. Mary Griswold of Unadilla. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at East Oneonta, and was a most industrious, and respected woman with many friends who will mourn her demise.

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Taken to Fox Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Charles Fowler of 163 Main street, who had been ill for about a week of heart disease, was taken in the ambulance yesterday to the Fox Memorial hospital.

Straining your imagination at your own expense. Value that can be shown and proved, but has to be imagined is a delusion. You don't have to stretch your imagination to realize that Otsego coffee has not sacrificed quality for economy. advt. tf

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Trolley Cars in Collision.

There was collision on the local trolley lines Saturday evening, shortly before 9 o'clock, the brakes on the Normal line car failing to hold the car and it crashed into one of the main line cars standing on the street. Lester Banner, motorman of the Normal car, had one foot caught and pinched and he was otherwise bruised and shaken up. Herman A. Tucker, who was a passenger on the Normal car, suffered from the nervous shock and was attended by Dr. G. J. Man. The front end of the Normal car was badly damaged.

New Play for Frances Starr.

Frances Starr, says the Albany Times-Union of yesterday, will not appear in a new play at Christmas time, as announced. David Belasco, her manager, will not make two productions. Instead of presenting Miss Starr there during the holidays, she will make a spring tour in the new drama he is preparing for her, preliminary to her appearance in New York next season.

No Star on Wednesday.

Today being Christmas day with all its hallowed associations, The Star force will be given a holiday and no paper will be issued from this office Wednesday morning.

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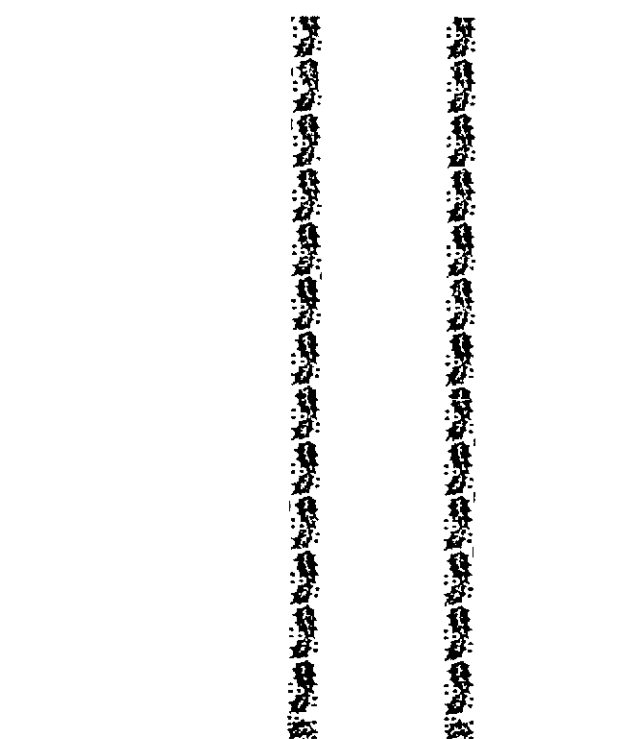
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A cave below the high altar of the Church of the Nativity is now shown as the very place where this august event transpired; a little recess, shaped like a clam shell, its floor of marble wrought into a star in the center, bearing in Latin the words, "Here Jesus Christ Was Born of the Virgin Mary." A row of lamps hangs round the outer edge, the right to attend to them being a jealously watched matter, each of the ancient churches, the Greek, the Latin, the Armenian and the Coptic, having one or more of these under its care.

The evidence for this site is so strong that most persons accept it as sufficient, reaching up, as it does, to within living memory of the days of the apostles. But even if this be an illusion the fact remains that in this petty village the Saviour of the world was made man for our redemption. No wonder that we read of the anthem of the angels, for surely nothing could draw forth the interest of the heavenly population like the exceeding grace God was showing to sinful man.

The scene of the visit of the shepherds is pointed out as on a rough slope, facing the village, at some distance to the east, Bethlehem lying

far above on its mountain seat. One can follow the shepherds in their journey to see the unspeakable wonder. They would go along the rich valley of Boz and then up the terraced hill by a path still in use, nor is it uninteresting to reflect that, while simple shepherds were led by angels to the manger, the high priest and the great of Jerusalem, so near, slept through that most illustrious night of all history, quite unconscious of what had happened. But we know of it, and may God grant that if we cannot go with the shepherds to Bethlehem we may one day go to the right hand of God and worship him there, who that night lay a little child in Mary's arms.—Dr. Cunningham Geikie.

The Sweetest of All.

Christmas is a jolly day, but let us not forget that it is Christ's birthday and that to make someone else happy is the sweetest thing of all.

WHY UNITED STATES IS THE RICHEST

NATION.—There are twice as many cattle and swine in the United States as in any other country, with a total value of live stock products of more than \$4,000,000,000.

The corn crop is ten times greater than that of any other country.

The wheat crop is bigger than that of any rival.

The cotton output is more than half the world's supply. The cost production of nearly half a billion tons is twice that of Britain, our nearest competitor.

The oil production of nearly 300,000,000 barrels is twice that of Russia, which ranks second. The output of iron and steel is twice that of Germany, our nearest rival.

We produce more copper than all of the remainder of the world put together.

In manufactured goods last year, our output was more than \$35,000,000,000.

The balance of exports over imports amounted to over \$3,000,000,000.

The gold reserve of about \$3,000,000,000 is more than one-third of the world's total.

The wealth is more than \$2,000 for every man, woman and child in the country.

The railroad mileage is more than double that of all Europe.

The total wealth of Britain, Germany and France amounts to \$227,500,000,000. That of the United States aggregates \$250,000,000,000.

PIG'S BLADDERS AS DECOYS

Suggestion They Would Be Mistaken for Chinese Heads in Water Won Prize as Best Idea.

During the war between China and Japan in 1894 Viceroy Liu Kun-yi issued a proclamation offering a reward to any one who could suggest a plan for destroying the enemy fleet. The prize was won by an old literary gentleman who suggested that a large number of pig's bladders should be procured and blown up tight. Then, when the wind was blowing off shore towards the fleet, these should be put in the water and the enemy would mistake them for the heads of Chinese soldiers swimming out to attack, and would open fire with all their guns. When all their ammunition was fired away the Chinese could then go out in boats and secure possession of the vessels without loss. To the foreign mind it sounded very funny, but it was quite a classical scheme.

During the Three Kingdom times the city of Hwangchow was being besieged by a hero who had clean run out of arrows. He thereupon manned a fleet of boats with straw men, and sent them under the walls at night, when the defenders shot them full of arrows. In this way he replenished his own magazine and depleted that of his opponents, thus capturing the city easily.

Value of Love.

No, I tell you, a little love goes a long way, observes the Los Angeles Times. Love was intended as a piquant condiment, never as a whole meal. Hate may endure through generations, but love can't stand a week under the same roof without an ingenious admixture of other ingredients. Love rules the world—exactly. For the reason that it is scarce and precious, delightfully uncommon, and therefore valuable. Diamonds themselves would lose their value if you could pick 'em up in the streets. Gold would be cheaper than tin if there was enough of it to go round. Gold and love are both powerful for the same reason—hard to find, difficult to get, still more difficult to keep.

Why We Say "Carat."

The weight used by goldsmiths in gauging the quality of gold apart from the alloy, i. e., carat, is derived from that of the seed of an Abyssinian carat flower, which, being exceedingly uniform in size, were employed in weighing gold and precious stones.

Settled Out of Court.

Muriel—"So Judge Merryman proposed to Alice last night!" Ethel—"Yes, and he made an awful break. When she asked him for time to consider his proposal, he gave her 60 days."—Judge.

ERRORS OF OWNERS

Fail to Oil Parts That Are in Out-of-Way Places.

SMALL NUTS NOT TIGHTENED

Trouble With Average Motorist Is That He Fails to Realize That Automobile Is Very Delicate Piece of Mechanism.

There are motorcar owners who sometimes wonder why their cars do not last as long or give as much satisfaction as an automobile of the same make owned by a friend or an acquaintance. The trouble with the average motorcar owner is that he fails to realize that the automobile is a piece of very fine machinery and that it will render service in proportion to the attention it receives. It is not human and will not cry out when abused.

C. A. Englebeck, a well-known distributor, has been through the automobile business from racing, service, selling, superintending and managing standpoints.

Englebeck Talks.

"The car owner should remember that washing the body does not clean the motor; that tightening the nuts and bolts easily reached does not make those under the car any tighter; that oil placed in the motor does not mean that one can neglect the clutch, transmission or rear axle," talked Englebeck at a recent club meeting.

"We recommend certain things which every factory endorses because we have found from experience that they will bring the best results. Do not make changes or improvements."

RHEUMATISM IS A WEATHER PROPHET

More Prevalent Than for Many Years—Sudden Changes of Temperature an Immediate Cause.

When rheumatism fastens on an individual, he generally knows what the trouble is. The inflammation, soreness, pain, swelling, joints and backache, with loss of appetite, plainly indicate rheumatism. Physicians differ as to the disease, but all agree that rheumatism is caused by poison getting into the system. Cold and moisture, with sudden changes of temperature, cause aggravated attacks and intense suffering. These demand quick action.

It is needless to suffer: get from your druggist a bottle of Rheuma. It will give you two weeks' treatment at a cost of only five cents a day, and two days' use will prove you can be quickly relieved of your trouble. Rheuma is a specialist's prescription which gives relief in all forms of rheumatism. It brings swollen joints down to normal, reduces the pain, and restores the whole system without the least injury to the heart. Rheuma is sold with a guarantee by H. B. Gildersleeve.

without first consulting the dealer from whom you have bought the car, for there may be strong objections to these changes of which you are not aware.

Factory Knew Best.

"Remember that the standard factory maintains engineering and experimental departments and is in a better position to know what is proper to use or not to use in connection with its cars than is the average mechanic, who is apt to try to induce an owner to change some part of the design or install some new device."

"When it becomes necessary, through accident, neglect, abuse or other cause to make a change, one should seek the advice and services of the dealer from whom he has bought the car. This dealer has the interest of the car at heart more than any other person in the trade. But, if distance makes the dealer unavailable, it is cheaper in the end to employ the best mechanic in the vicinity."

"If the motorcar owner will religiously observe these rules and give his automobile conscientious care, it will be easy for him to get long and satisfactory service."

Internal Combustion Engine.

The Diesel engine is an internal combustion engine which runs on crude oil and the lowest grades of fuel oil. It burns cheaper fuel and less of it than a gasoline engine. Its construction is heavier, but more simple, as it requires neither magneto nor carburetor, positive ignition and burning of the fuel without explosions being obtained from heat of great intensity, generated by compression of the air between the piston and the cylinder head and the liquid fuel being atomized and sprayed into the heated air in the combustion chamber under great pressure. It is claimed that the Diesel engine converts into available mechanical energy a greater percentage of the power represented by the heat contained in the fuel consumed than any other form of engine yet produced.

Patriotism or Parsimony.

Every newspaper, every magazine, every public speaker, is urging American housewives to save, save, save!

There is no doubt that an army fights on its stomach and that this war must be won in the kitchens of the United States as well as in the trenches.

But there is such a thing as saving too well. Economy is never economy when it is carried to the last degree of parsimoniousness.

Do not starve yourself nor your family. Substitute more plentiful foods for those that are scarce; save the fats, but keep up a balanced menu; eat less, but not too little; keep a wasteless garbage pail, but above all—Save wisely, but not too well—Mr. Ler's Magazine.

PANIC AMONG BUFFALO HERD

Dummy, Operated at Suggestion of Cartoonist McCutcheon, Causes Bison to Flee Jungle.

When John McCutcheon was hunting in Africa he was almost as much interested in taking pictures of the game as in killing it. For a few days there was a large herd of buffaloes grazing near his camp, and he was keen to go out with his camera and try his luck.

Mr. McCutcheon had a wonderful idea. If he and another man got inside a buffalo's hide they could go among the herd and easily get dozens of valuable pictures.

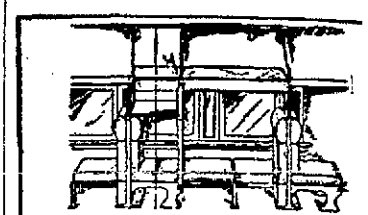
The day that they were to try this experiment McCutcheon had killed his first lion and was too tired to go out and play among the buffaloes. So another man was persuaded to take his place, a very tall man. He took the hind part and the other man took the fore. The tall man was a little agitated and when they got near where the buffaloes were grazing his emotions increased.

All went well until they were really among the beasts; then the gentleman in the hind legs forgot himself and kept raising his head. The buffaloes saw one of their brothers with a lively, undulating back. Panic seized them. They fled to the jungle.

HANDY SLEEPING-CAR BEI

Invention of Montana Man Provides Aisle for Dressing—Section Hinged to Swing Upward.

The Scientific American in illustrating and describing an improvement on a sleeping-car berth, the invention of P. R. Odell of Butte, Mont., says: "The invention is an improvement in sleeping-car berths, and has for object to provide a section where



Improved Sleeping-Car Berth.

dressing aisle may be provided connection with each of the berths. The upper and lower berths each have a section hinged to swing upward, provide dressing space and a board supported below the said section of the upper berth, said section and foot board being at the opposite end of the berths from the hinged end of the lower berth."

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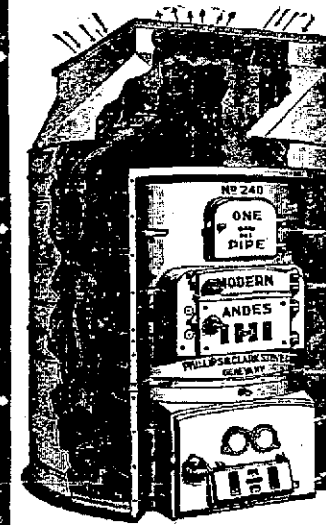
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To the County
To This Vicinity

Wishes You a Merry Christmas and a Happy
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And Invites You To Avail Yourself of Its
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GIRLS RISK LIVES ON FRENCH FRONT

Ambulance Drivers Work Close to
Firing Lines.

WINNING LAURELS FOR SEX

Show Unfailing Courage in Time of
Danger and Display Splendid Ability
as Drivers and Mechanicians—
American Society Girls Doing Great
Service in Gathering Up Wounded
on the Battle Front.

Over the shell-scarred ground of
Flanders, and in practically every danger
zone on the war map of Europe,
women ambulance drivers are today
winning laurels for the sex because of
their unfailing courage in time of danger
and for their splendid ability as
drivers and mechanicians.

In the ante-bellum days of 1914
breaking the speed limit in a car stripped
to its best racing trim was one of
the chief outdoor sports of many of
the rich young women in America
and on the continent, but the soldierly
aid, patriotic girls who are doing their
bit at the front today are getting more
thrills to the minute than any speed
enthusiast who has paid thousands of
dollars in fines for the privilege.

Collecting the wounded is not the
simple thing of running over to the
station to meet the trains and trans-
porting the wounded to the nearby
hospitals. Indeed, not. The women
drivers of the ambulances go right
up to the clearing station within reach
of the big guns.

Show Their Nerve.
They think nothing of getting a bit
of shell through the bonnets of their
cars and it has yet to be reported that
so far any of the girls who have vol-
unteered for this dangerous branch of
the service have pulled any Lydia
Langush stunt in the face of an emer-
gency.

Attached to the Scottish Women's
hospital, which, by the way, was plan-
ned and is being carried out entirely
by women, is an X-ray automobile,
driven by a woman, which has saved a
good many lives.

As the wounded are taken back
from the line a picture is taken and
developed as the car runs back to the
hospital. In this way the women sur-
geons realize the most critical cases
and they are rushed straight to the
operating table. The picture of the
wounded being ready for the operating
surgeon, she knows exactly what she
has to deal with. Many of the boys
owe their lives to these X-ray ambu-

lances and the plucky girls who are
driving them.

Women of wealth all over the world
have found they could serve their
country best by using their knowledge
of how to drive and care for a car.
Hundreds of them have volunteered.

Society Girls in Service.
Miss Maria Laurence-Wetherill, a
New York society girl, has been driv-
ing an ambulance on the French front.
She is accounted one of the most skill-
ful operators in the motor service.
Miss Hilda S. Ambler of Bridge-
port, Conn., has joined the Volunteer
Ambulance division. She is also an



British Woman Ambulance Driver.
expert driver and mechanic. Miss Am-
bler has adopted the uniform worn by
the British Royal Flying corps.

Mrs. Blanche Shoemaker Wagstaff
is another well-known New York wom-
an who is quickly helping in the res-
cue work of the wounded boys on the
allied fronts. She heads a number of
women drivers from the National
League for Woman's Service who left
early last month for France and who
are stationed somewhere along the
lines, doing their share in the work of
rushing the wounded to the hospitals
and also in permitting other men to
rush to the colors who would be
obliged to drive the ambulances had
not women proved such splendid sub-
stitutes.

"Don't Open Until Christmas!"

My Love hath sent a gift to
me,
But though that gift I long to
see,
The packet's label says me
nay—
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

Till Christmas day—how long
to wait
And pine, yet hold inviolate
The ban, too strict for Adam's
clay,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

On Christmas day shall I be
here
To joy in that which now
were dear?
And must I heed these runes
that say,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"
Should Time, the churl, have
power to hold
In check each word, each
deed of old!
Through this decree of drear
delay,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

For there be hearts—and
purses, too—
Locked fast to Love the long
year through
By that same word, which
fools obey,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

Ah, Love, the sages all allow
The time for any joy is now!
Then charge me never more,
I pray,
"Don't open until Christmas
day!"

—Arthur Guiterman in Life.

West Virginia Soil.

Nearly two-thirds of the land area
of West Virginia is in farms. All
soils are from disintegration of lime-
stone, sandstone or mixtures of shales
and clays. The soil is generally fer-
tile and does not wash into gullies,
the land being productive to the tops
of the mountains. Clay soil is found
in some of the higher portions, alluvial
soil in the uplands, and unproductive
sandy soil in the northeast. In the
extreme northeastern counties the soil
is of rich limestone. West of the
mountains the broad, flat hills furnish
grazing for cattle, while the valleys
produce good crops.

SAYS WAR MARRIAGES SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED

Dr. Clara MacNaughton Says
Married Men Fight Better Be-
cause Stake Is Bigger.

"In my opinion and in that of all
the French with whom I have associ-
ated during my three years' work in
Paris, the Americans are doing wrong
in their tacit discouragement of war
marriages," said Dr. Clara MacNaughton,
in an address to the National
League of American Penwomen in
Washington.

"The experience of the French is
that the 'war bride' is an immense fac-
tor in the determination of the peo-
ple and their confidence of ultimate
victory. The married man fights bet-
ter because his stake in the struggle
is greater. He is more hopeful, and
when depressed, more quickly gets
back to normal. The constant thought
of one who lives in the hope of his
homecoming helps him to ignore hard-
ships.

"French surgeons have been quick
to recognize that the married man has
an added stimulus to get well. If hope-
lessly crippled he is sure of devotion,
and has not, like the bachelor soldier,
the feeling that his future must be
devoid of companionship.

"For the woman the 'war marriage'
is equally an incentive—not only to do
her 'bit' but her 'all.' She enters more
fully into the war work, and the fact
that her affections are so greatly en-
gaged causes her to minimize the hard-
ships which weigh so heavily upon the
unmarried.

"While ill-considered and hasty war
marriages are not to be defended on
any ground, the marriage of those
whose acquaintance is of long stand-
ing and whose affections are firmly
fixed, should not, in my judgment, be
postponed. That we have so general-
ly urged their postponement is a part
of the American idea that women
should be shielded as far as possible
from the buffets of life. The French
are taking the view that the woman
has as much right to risk her all for
her country as the man-soldier has.

"If we are to have a long war, such
marriages will mean an increase in
population of, which we will stand
greatly in need."

An Acre.
An acre originally meant in both
Latin and Anglo-Saxon a field of any
size. As a measure of land it was
first defined under Edward I of Eng-
land as the amount that a yoke of
oxen could plow in a day. It was un-
der the reign of George IV. that a uni-
form standard was given to this name
4,800 square yards.

MARRIED IN DUGOUT

Wash Stand Serves for Altar When
Coast Artillery Men Wed.

A military wedding took place the
other evening at the home of Mrs.
Gertrude H. Woodward, when Miss
Dorothy V. Pearce became the bride
of Sergt. James G. Caplinger of the
Sixth company, California Coast artil-
lery.

A trench dugout was the "church,"
while the altar was the rough wash-
stand of the soldier, minus the wash
basin, soap and towels.

The ceremony was performed by
Chaplain Griffith of the Coast artillery,
in the presence of only a few friends
of the couple. Corp. E. H. Morrison
acted as best man.

Surety Independence.
There is no independence that can
be sure but a dependence upon one's
self.

Revolutions.
Revolutions are not made; they
come.—Wendell Phillips.

TO STORE ISTHMIAN CROPS

Storage Plant to Cost \$1,000,000 Will
Be Built at Cristobal.

Ground is being broken for a \$1,-
000,000 cold-storage plant for the Pan-
ama canal near Cristobal at the Atlan-
tic terminal. The need for abundant
storage facilities has arisen partly as
the result of the arrival of so many
troops and partly from the need of
storing supplies in anticipation of pos-
sible war needs.

The canal zone is raising large quan-
tities of vegetables and fruits which
must be kept for some time after be-
ing harvested until consumed.

The plant will be operated by elec-
tricity from the hydro-electric power
station at Gatun dam, seven miles dis-
tant.

Conscience.
A very strong feeling makes to it-
self a conscience of its own—has its
own pity; just as much as the feeling
of the son towards the mother, which
will sometimes survive amid the worst
fumes of depravity.—Exchange.

CHRISTMAS CHILDHOOD.

Christmas is, perforce, a winter fes-
tival, a family and fraternal reunion.
"Suffer little children to come." Lo,
they have come. And the music of
their child voices! The concert of the
morning stars, what were they to the
natural untrained melody of innocent
childhood in its joyous expectations!

A brief, bright morning picture with
fervid expectant fancy attuned to
"peace and good will to men," a sacred,
solemn, confident, joyous, "peace," a
"good will" and fraternal friendship
that shall fill and fructify and sanctify
the year to come.

Ah, childhood, Christmas childhood!
See how for one day it mocks the
poet's lines, "Some traces of Eden ye
still inherit, but the trail of the ser-
pent is over them all. Its own gift
is always the best, and it rejoices that
Bill and Jim and Lizzie and Sara faced
as well. "Peace on earth," but not of
earth; "good will" that shall inform
the coming year and mold the man and
woman of the future.

ONEONTA THEATRE Fri., Dec. 28

Special Return Engagement of the Best Comedy of the
Season. Ask Anybody

THE GREATEST OF ALL FARCES
NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH
WITH HARRY STUBBS

Ananias Told Lies All His Life. Can You Tell the Truth For 24 Hours?

The Gladdest, Glittering, Gorgeous Show of the Year. It's Im-
mense, and if You Don't Laugh, You're Hopeless. This
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JOIN THE WILBER NATIONAL BANK CHRISTMAS AND THRIFT CLUB

Now Open for Membership—A Simple Systematic Saving Plan

This is an easy plan because you only take out of your weekly salary a small amount. How welcome it will be—a check from us next December with many times as much money as you have ever spent for Christmas before. Here's What Small Weekly Payments Will Amount To:—

Deposit \$.50 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$25

Deposit \$1.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$50

Deposit \$2.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$100

Deposit \$5.00 Weekly, in 50 Weeks You Get \$250

We Impose No Fines or Penalties!

Urge your friends also to go into this system and they will thank you for persuading them to do it.

JUDD'S STORE

AFTER-CHRISTMAS SALE OF COATS AND FURS AT A BIG REDUCTION IN PRICE — A BIG SAVING FOR YOU.

A lot of \$10 Coats for \$3.92 Sets of Fox Furs; former-
A lot of \$25 Coats for \$15 ly \$25, for \$15.
A lot of \$35 Coats for \$25 \$25 Black Wool Muff and
Children's \$7 and \$8 Coats Scarf Set for \$15.
now \$1.95.
Children's \$5 and \$6 Coats \$35 Muff and Scarf Furs;
now \$3.95. now \$25.

One lot of Serge Dresses; value up to \$15; for \$9.95. A bargain.

Merry Christmas

Hurd Boot Shop
FLOYD E. TAYLOR
160 MAIN STREET

BOOKS IN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Volumes Recently Added Which Will Be of General Interest.

Some new books of particular interest to those who are at present studying the life, literature and history of the Scandinavian peoples are *Boysen's Modern Vikings and Norseland Tales*; *Jerusalem*, by Selma Lagerloef; *Personal Observations While Visiting Norway*, by E. T. Hahn; two volumes of Scandinavian classics, the *Prose Edda* and the *Old Sagas of Snorri*, carefully translated and with notes and comments for the student; and four important recent books by the Danish novelist Martin Andersen Nexø—*Pelle, the Conqueror*—portraying successively Pelle's boyhood, apprenticeship, struggle, and daybreak. The novels give a vivid and interesting picture of Danish life in all its phases at the present day.

Some of the new books of description and travel have marked literary value as well; *Old Roads Out of Philadelphia*, by J. T. Faris; *Old Seaport Towns of the South* by Mildred Cram; *Charcoal of New and Old New York*, by F. Hopkinson Smith; others are *New York of Today*, *Verrill's West Indies*, by Waldemar Westergaard—a timely book which tells us who have just come into possession of those islands just the things we want to know about them and their history from 1671 to the present year; and *Paul Leland Hawthorn's On the Headwaters of Peace River*, a fascinating description of a part of the Canadian Rockies hitherto little known. These books are all wonderfully illustrated with the modern excellent pictorial workmanship.

No Star on Wednesday.

Today being Christmas day with all its hallowed associations, The Star force will be given a holiday and no paper will be issued from this office Wednesday morning.

976 Wright's delivery. advt tr

FORMER ONEONTA RESIDENT.

Rev. George W. Remington Dies at Home in Winsted, Conn.

The Winsted, Conn., Citizen of last Friday has the following concerning the death of an aged clergyman who at one time resided in this city, and whose wife was Miss Caroline Campbell, a sister of Mrs. Mary E. Herrington and a member of one of Oneonta's oldest families:

"Rev. George W. Remington, 75, a retired Baptist minister, who for 19 years was pastor of the church in Colebrook, passed away suddenly at his home, 55 Cottage street, at 2:15 yesterday afternoon of dilation of the heart. He was stricken Tuesday afternoon.

"George Wright Remington was born in Meredith, Delaware county, N. Y., July 16, 1842. He was ordained minister at Hancock, N. Y., in 1867 and held pastorates in Hancock, Port Crane and Richmondville, N. Y., going to Colebrook in 1888 and coming to Winsted 19 years later. He wrote the history of the Colebrook church when it celebrated its 100th anniversary a few years ago. He represented Colebrook in the state-general assembly in 1895. Even after his retirement he often substituted in Winsted and nearby churches. He was married in 1866 to Miss Caroline Campbell of Oneonta, N. Y., who died about five years ago. In September, 1916, he was married in Torrington to Mrs. Agnes Culver of Brooklyn. Besides his widow, he leaves four children, Virgil L. and William E. Remington of Winsted, Avon C. Remington of Delta, Colo., and Mrs. Ira Moore of Glastonbury. Mr. Remington was a member of the United Workmen.

"The funeral was held at 1:30 Sunday afternoon with services in the chapel in Forest View cemetery. Rev. Flanders of Canton officiating."

Wanted—Storage batteries to store for winter, repair or charge. The "Right" garage. advt tr

LUTHERAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

Exercises to be held at Church on Grove Street Tonight.

The following Christmas program will be rendered at the English Lutheran Church of the Atoneinent, Grove street, this evening at 7 o'clock: The public is cordially invited to attend.

Service—"Hail to the King."
Music, Canning's Orchestra.
Solo—"Glory to God." Mrs. W. Landmesser.

Carol—"Come Hither." School.
Responsive Scripture and Gloria Patria.

Invocation, Rev. J. C. Trauger.
Greeting, Loren Couse.
Recitation—"At Christmas Time." Henry Grant.

Recitation—"Just a Word." Charles Burtis and Roland Halstead.
Carol—"Lift Up Your Voice, O Zion." School.

Recitation—"Christmas Day." Ernest Westfall.
Recitation—"I Like to Share." Viola West.

Recitation—"For the Christmas Child." Marjorie Goodrich.
Recitation—"Little Hearts Can Love Him." Mildred Otto, Mildred Edelman, Dorothy Vosburgh, Julia Cummings.

Carol—"Joy, Joy, Joy." School.
Scripture Reading in Unison.
Primary Song—"Why do Bells of Christmas Ring?"

Recitation—"A Little Piece." Harry Burtis.
Recitation—"Holy Babe." Composed by Mrs. Ella Hoffman; recited by Lottie Otten.

Carol—"Welcome to Earth." School.
Recitation—"Just a Sunny Smile." Violet Wightman.

Recitation—"Beautiful Christmas Tree." George Boone.
Recitation—"One Sweet Word." Marjorie Burtis.

Songs—"Chime On, Sweet Bells." "Silent Night, Holy Night." Mrs. Landmesser's class.

Remarks, Superintendent Withoff.
Doll Exercise and Lullaby Song. Yula Davenport, Margaret Grant, Rose Westfall, Theresa Boswick, Marjorie Goodrich, Grace Kleeman.

Song—"Luther's Cradle Hymn." Mrs. Stiles' Class.
Recitation—"God's Love." Virginia Fowler.

Solo. Miss Rebecca Trauger.
Star Drill. Twelve Young Ladies.
Remarks, Rev. J. C. Trauger.
Offering for Board of Education.

Duet—"Would That I Had Been There." Margaret Grant, Yula Davenport.

Carol—"The Crowning Morn." School.
Recitation—"When Christmas Day is Over." Priscilla Nappier.

Closing Hymns—"So He Has Come," "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Benediction.
The service will be in charge of Charles M. Withoff, with Mrs. A. J. Releya at the piano.

Wanted in Richfield Springs.
The local police have picked up one James Beckwith, a young man wanted in Richfield Springs on the charge of petit larceny. He was found at the trolley station on his arrival here and offered no objection when requested by the police to accompany them to police headquarters. He had in his possession a suit case that is claimed was stolen and other property. He will probably be taken to Richfield Springs this morning to be arraigned to answer to the charge.

Will Play Roxbury Team Wednesday.
Wednesday afternoon the Oneonta High school basketball team will leave for Roxbury, where they will play the High school team of that place in the evening. The game which was to have been played at Norwich last Friday was postponed until January 19, 1918.

Christmas Trees.
Will have a fine assortment of Christmas trees Dec. 19. Sizes from 3 to 10 feet. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c. Inquire 355 Main street. Phone 1024-W-2.

If he's a smoker no gift you could possibly make would afford keener satisfaction than a box of Stetson cigars. They are made in all sizes and are sold as cheaply as first class cigars can be. advt tr

FIGURE OUT YOUR INCOME

But If You Can't Do It Uncle Sam Will Send Experts to Help.

In a communication received by this paper, Collector of Internal Revenue Neal Brewster announces that federal income tax officers will be sent into this county to remain for a period of time for the purpose of helping persons subject to the income tax to make out their returns without any cost to them for their services.

While it is almost impossible to predict how many income tax payers there are in our county, it is believed that a conservative estimate would fix the number at not less than 1,770. This figure includes all married persons living with wife or husband, who will have a net income of \$2,000 or over, and also the unmarried persons who will have a net income of \$1,000 or over for the current calendar year.

Returns of income for the year ending December 31, 1917 must be made on forms to be provided by the government and the return filed with the collector or his deputy not later than March 1, 1918. On account of a misunderstanding of the requirements, many believe that if they are not called upon by the government, a return will not be necessary. On the contrary, the duty is on the taxpayer to make himself known, secure the form, and if necessary, assistance of the expert in making a proper report.

Persons failing to make the return within the time prescribed by law are liable to a penalty ranging from \$20 to \$1,000 and possibly a jail sentence too. Rather than take chances, take our advice, seek out the income tax officer, disclose your income and he will start you right. If you are not sure about being subject to the tax, get expert advice and be positive. Whether you see the officer while in this county or not, you must make return if subject to tax.

The collector suggests that everybody start figuring up his income and expenses now, so as to be ready with the figures when the expert arrives. Expenses, however, don't mean family expenses, money used to pay off the principal of a debt, new machinery, buildings, or anything like that. Expenses include what you spend in making your money—interest, taxes paid, hired help, amount paid for goods sold, seed, stock bought for feeding, rent except for your dwelling, etc. Income includes about every dollar you get.

Oneonta county has been allowed the dates shown in the following table, though of course residents of other counties will be afforded the privilege of consulting the income tax man if they so desire:

Oneonta, post office building, January 2 to February 16, inclusive.
Cooperstown, Second National bank, February 18 to March 1, inclusive.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

To Be Held in Treadwell Thursday—Several Speakers Present.

The Bureau of Farmers' Institutes, which is under the directorship of Edward Van Alstyne, is the educational branch of the State Department of Farms and Markets. During the present winter the Farmers' Institutes promise to awaken greater interest and to be productive of better results than ever before. About 375 institutes have been arranged, and before the winter is over, more than 100,000 persons will undoubtedly have been reached. An institute will be held next Thursday at Treadwell, at which particular attention will be given to the food problem and to fundamental matters relating to agriculture growing out of the acute conditions brought about by the war.

The institutes depend for much of their success on the enterprise of the local committees in charge in awakening interest and enthusiasm in the community where each meeting is held. The speakers on each circuit are specialists in the line of farming that is practiced in the county in which they visit. Those who will lecture in Treadwell next week are: A. J. Nicoll, Dr. M. Hamilton and Mrs. M. Hamilton.

Too Delicate for Service.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Fearing that the rigors of warfare would be too much for her delicate son, a woman living at Fresno, Cal., has written to United States Marine corps headquarters here, asking that the young man be discharged.

"He is too weak and delicate to be in the service," she wrote. "He is a blacksmith's helper by trade, and I would prefer him to stay at his last job."

The mother was informed that for the time being her son must remain a marine.

Behind the Schedule.

The Germans always lay out a schedule by which they expect to move. They had planned to be in Paris by a certain day, but Joffre and his men threw the switch and sidetracked the train. When the Teutons invaded Italy they had it all prearranged to take Bassano on November 26. They are badly behind their schedule. Someone is always putting obstacles in their way. We hope the Italians block their road indefinitely. —[Utica Herald.]

Not Conspicuous Failure.

In the fiscal year 1915-16 probably less than 250,000 tons of ships were built in the United States. A shipping administration that counts 8,572,000 dead weight tons under construction or contract in the country has not been a conspicuous failure. —[New York World.]

Overland Roadster, good condition, extra tire, \$106.00. Rover 60s car, nearly new. C. M. Ives, Davenport. advt tr

Wanted—Live poultry, 119 River street. B. L. Gates. advt tr

Christmas tree holders 35c at the Oneonta Press, 22 Broad street. advt tr

ABEL S. MILES DEAD.

Long in Active Business Here and One of Oldest Residents.

In the death of Abel Stewart Miles, occurring at his apartment in the Union block Sunday morning at 12:15 o'clock, Oneonta loses one of its best known residents, one who has been a resident of Oneonta for more than three score years and had seen the community grow from a small village of 450 souls, to its present sizable dimensions for an inland city. Mr. Miles was for more than 30 years actively engaged in business, but for many years had lived a retired life. The funeral services will be held from the home on Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Rev. B. M. Johns, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, will officiate and the body will be placed in the vault at Riverside cemetery, later to be interred in the family plot in the same cemetery.

Born in Meredith, September 22, 1831, the son of the late Tilton Miles and Sally Stewart, his father having come from Cornwall, Conn., and settled in Meredith, he continued to reside in that town until 1853, when he removed to Oneonta and has since remained a respected resident of this community, enjoying the respect and esteem of all. Soon after coming here he engaged in the lively business, which in former days was one of the important industries of any community. His business office was the center, at which many gathered to discuss current subjects and where much of information could be secured. Mr. Miles did a large business for a period of 30 years, including no little hauling of freight from Catskill to Oneonta, prior to the arrival of the D. & H. railroad.

Mr. Miles married Helen Graves of Oneonta March 25, 1857, and their married life was most happy. She passed away in June, 1913. He leaves two children, Miss Lyla Miles, who has been constant in attendance and devotion to her father during his declining years, and Fred A. Miles, now of Meriden, Conn., but formerly of Bristol, Conn. He has been with his father for the past three weeks. The late Charles E. Miles was also a son of the deceased. Mr. Miles is survived also by two brothers, Levi Miles of Dexter, Mich., and Harlan Miles of Nineveh and by two sisters, Mrs. Adeline Bryant of Brooklyn, who passed the summer with her brother and was with him when he passed away, and Mrs. Celis Baldwin of Lynn Haven, Florida.

The deceased had been in failing health for years, but his mind was alert and active to the very last, one of the last wishes he voiced being that he might survive to know the outcome of the present world war. He united with the Baptist church at Meriden when 17 years of age, but on coming to Oneonta became an attendant at the Methodist church, of which Mrs. Miles was a member, and remained a supporter and attendant as long as his health permitted. Mr. Miles was a man of many attractive qualities and was universally respected. He was devoted to his family and while interested in all civic affairs was modest and unassuming. He never identified himself with any of the fraternal organizations. The sympathy of all friends of the family will be extended to the bereaved ones.

Farewell to Sheriff and Mrs. VanZandt.

On Thursday evening about 50 friends of Sheriff-Elect and Mrs. B. F. VanZandt took possession of the home of that estimable couple in Maryland in a successful endeavor to show them that their departure for Cooperstown where he assumes the duties of the office to which he has been elected on January 1 is regretted and to evidence the esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. VanZandt are held. The evening was very pleasantly passed in card playing and music.

Later in the evening J. E. Smith Jr., in an appropriate speech in behalf of the assembled friends, presented Mr. and Mrs. VanZandt with a fine easy chair as a slight token of the affectionate regard in which they are held. Later refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. VanZandt will carry with them the sincere best wishes of the community generally for their success and happiness in their new home.

Notice is Hereby Given

That I, the undersigned collector of taxes in and for the town of Oneonta, have received the tax and warrant for the collection of taxes for the present year and that I will attend at my residence at West Oneonta in said town on every day this week except Friday, and at Spencer's Busy Clothes shop in Oneonta city on Friday in each week, for thirty days from the date hereof, from 9 o'clock a. m., until 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving taxes assessed upon such roll.

Dated this 22d day of December, 1917. Richard M. Collier, collector.

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40	15.22	3.85	11.
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50	21.67	5.58	16.
55	28.63	7.14	21.

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